

**THE GRAND CHAPTER
OF
ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO**



2000

PROCEEDINGS

ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SECOND

ANNUAL CONVOCATION

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GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS 1999

M. Ex. Comp. Harry D. Turner 2390 Red Maple Avenue, R.R. 1 Jordan Station ON L0R 1S0	Grand First Principal
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R. Ex. Comp. M. Sheldon Boomhour 14 Roberts Crescent, Brampton ON L6W 1G8	Grand Third Principal
R. Ex. Comp. Peter Barrow 38 Ldith Street, Georgetown ON L7G 3B1	Grand Chaplain
R. Ex. Comp. B. Andrew Downes 3370 Tallmast Crescent, Mississauga ON L5L 1H5	Grand Treasurer
R. Ex. Comp. Melvyn J. Duke 253-3060 Constitution Boulevard, Mississauga ON L4Y 3X8	Grand Scribe (Sec)
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R. Ex. Comp. Wesley Massey 10 Resolution Cr., North York ON M2H 1N4	Grand Principal Summarizer
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Hamilton, Ontario
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BIOGRAPHY

HARRY DOUGLAS TURNER

Personal:

Born - Toronto, Ontario, December 14, 1933

The oldest in a family of five children

Educated in the Toronto Board of Education Public and Secondary Schools

Married to Geraldine Ruth McCarthy June 12, 1954

Three children, Harry Jr., Ruth Ann and Thomas Gerald

Ten grand children, one great grandchild

Business:

Employed in aircraft assembly, A.V. Roe, Malton, Ontario 1952

Enrolled with the Toronto City Police Force, February 28, 1955

Retired May 1, 1992

MASONIC

Symbolic:

1966-Initiated, Passed and Raised in the Beaches Lodge No.473 A.F. & A.M.

1976-Member 7 Toronto Districts Past Masters Association

1978-Worshipful Master of the Beaches Lodge No.473

1992-Affiliated Life Member of Ivy Lodge No.115 A.F. & A.M. Beamsville

1994-Member of Niagara 'A' District D.D.G.M.'s team and appointed Chairman of the District's Masonic Foundation Committee

1998-Appointed Grand Senior Deacon, Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario

Capitular Masonry:

1979-Exalted in King Cyrus Chapter No.232, Toronto District 8A

1984-Life Member King Cyrus Chapter No.232

1985-First Principal King Cyrus Chapter No.232

1985-Member Toronto Districts 8-8A Principal's Association

1988-Elected Grand Principal Sojourner

1989-Appointed to the Grand Executive Committee, 1 year

1990-Appointed to the Grand Executive Committee, 2 years

1992-Elected to the Grand Executive Committee, 2 years

1992-Affiliated Life Member Mount Moriah Chapter No.19, Niagara District No.7

1992-Member Niagara District No.7 Principals Association

1993-Elected President of the Toronto Districts 8-8A Principals Association

1994-Appointed Life Member of the Toronto District 8-8A Principals Association

1994-Elected Grand Third Principal and by virtue of office, Vice-president of the Grand Executive Committee

1995-Appointed the Grand Representative to the Grand Chapter of West Virginia

1996-Elected Grand Second Principal and by virtue of office, President of the Grand Executive Committee

1998-Elected Grand First Principal



Most Excellent Companion Harry Douglas Turner

Knights Templar:

1980-Member Cyrene Preceptory No.29, Toronto
1983-Life Member Cyrene Preceptory No.29
1994-Affiliated member St.Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No.19, Port Colborne
1996-Presiding Preceptor, St.Bernard de Clairveau Preceptory No.19
1996-Member, Hamilton District Preceptors' Association

Shrine:

1981-Member Rameses Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. Toronto
1983-Member Rameses Arab Patrol Unit
1984-Member Shrine Patrol Association of North America

Royal & Select Masters:

1987-Honoured, Chosen and Greeted, Keystone Council No.20 Toronto
1988-Elevated Etobicoke Lodge No.17 Royal Ark Mariners
1989-Life Member Keystone Council No.20 and Etobicoke Lodge No.17
1995-Thrice Illustrious Master Keystone Council No.20
Worshipful Commander Noah, Etobicoke Lodge No.17, Royal Ark Mariners
1996-Appointed Grand Outer Guard Royal & Select Masters of Ontario
1996-Honourary Member Pyramid Council No.7, Niagara Falls
1997-Appointed Grand Inspector General, District 'C'

Knights of the York Cross of Honour:

1998-Member Ontario Priory No.49 London

Order of High Priesthood:

1987-Member Order of High Priesthood
1990-Charter/Life Member Unity Council No.4, Midland
1999-Honourary Grand President

York Rite College:

1988-Member Athelstan York Rite College No.41, Toronto
1992-Life Member Athelstan York Rite College No.41
1996-Appointed Preceptor in Athelstan York Rite College No.41
1998-Charter Member & elected Deputy Governor in Seymour York Rite College No.185
2000-Governor, Seymour York Rite College No 285 St Catharines

Allied Masonic Degrees:

1989-Member Scarborough Council No.175
1991-Sovereign Master Scarborough Council No.175
1995-Appointed member of the Grand Executive Committee
1995-Member Order of the Secret Monitor Toronto Conclave No.3
1997-Honourary member Burlington Council No. 70 Milton

Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests:

1990-Life Member Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests York Tabernacle No.93
1996-Elected High Priest York Tabernacle No.93
2000-Appointed Past Grand 2nd Pillar

Royal Cross of Constantine:

1990-Member Holy Land Conclave No.3, Toronto

1999-Invested Junior General, Holy Land Conclave No.3

A.&A.S.R.:

1992-Toronto Lodge of Perfection 14°, Toronto

1993-Toronto Chapter of Rose Croix 18°

1993-Moore Sovereign Consistory 32°, Hamilton

Sundry:

Allied Masonic Degrees:

- Council of Honour, Man At Arms, Life Member

- Council of Honour, Esquire, Life Member

- Member, Knights of the Red Branch of Eri

- Member, Ye Order of Corks, Masonic Order of the Bath

- Member, Grand Tylers of Solomon, Council No.212, St. Thomas

Shrine:

- Life Member, of the Mandarin Degree

- Life Member Hogtowners Clan No.46 Grand & Glorious Order of the Hillbilly Degree

- Member, Shrine Patrol Association of North America

Tall Cedars of Lebanon:

- 1988-Member, Garden City Forest No.173, Milton

- 1991-Grand Tall Cedar, Garden City Forest No.173

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The One Hundred and Forty-second Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario, held at the Four Points Hotel, Kitchener, Ontario on April 14th and 15th, 2000.

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner

R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill

R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour

Grand First Principal

Grand Second Principal

Grand Third Principal

PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

M.Ex.Comp. Charles W Emmett

M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H Stuart

M.Ex.Comp. Albert A Mortlock

M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline

M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker

M.Ex.Comp. Aube L Weisman

M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe

M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt

M.Ex.Comp. G Robert Jackson

M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell

GRAND CHAPTER OFFICERS ELECTED AND APPOINTED 1999

R.Ex.Comp. Peter Barrow	Grand Chaplain
R.Ex.Comp. B Andrew Downes	Grand Treasurer
R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke	Grand Scribe Ezra
R.Ex.Comp. Peter W Scott	Grand Scribe Nehemiah
R.Ex.Comp. Wesley Massey	Grand Principal Sojourner
R.Ex.Comp. Russell J Varley	Grand Registrar
R.Ex.Comp. William Stanfield	Grand Historian
V.Ex.Comp. R Glen Harvey	Grand Archivist

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS 1999

R.Ex.Comp. George W Garwood	St. Clair District No. 1
R.Ex.Comp. Robert R Jackson	London District No. 2
R.Ex.Comp. Clifford L Sly	Wilson District No. 3
R.Ex.Comp. John McCusker	Wellington District No. 4
R.Ex.Comp. Robert E Todd	Hamilton District No. 5
R.Ex.Comp. Lee A Grove	Huron District No. 6
R.Ex.Comp. R Arthur Etling	Niagara District No. 7
R.Ex.Comp. Wilfred W Luter	Toronto District No. 8
R.Ex.Comp. Roland P Manderville	Toronto District No. 8A
R.Ex.Comp. Stanley Connors	Georgian District No. 9
R.Ex.Comp. Joseph Janacek	Ontario District No. 10
R.Ex.Comp. Arthur Bon Gerow	Prince Edward District No. 11
R.Ex.Comp. Robert Eyre	St. Lawrence District No. 12
R.Ex.Comp. M John Moor	Ottawa District No. 13
R.Ex.Comp. Richard R Berday	Algoma District No. 14
R.Ex.Comp. Raymond R Meadows	New Ontario District No. 15
R.Ex.Comp. B Richmond Clemence	Temiskaming District No. 16

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - HONOURARY

R.Ex.Comp. Roland A Paddle	R.Ex.Comp. David D Walker
R.Ex.Comp. J Lloyd Mellor	R.Ex.Comp. Norman D McComb
R.Ex.Comp. B Donald Lamont	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - ELECTED (1998)

R.Ex.Comp. David W Laskey	R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson
R.Ex.Comp. D Kenneth Bromley	R.Ex.Comp. C Gordon Sinclair

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - ELECTED (1999)

R.Ex.Comp. William Klapatiuk	R.Ex.Comp. Brian R Simpson
R.Ex.Comp. William G Birnie	R.Ex.Comp. John R Pattison
R.Ex.Comp. Eugene F deBeaupre	

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - (APPOINTED 1998)

V.Ex.Comp. William H Collinson

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - (APPOINTED 1999)

V.Ex.Comp. Michael J Bowman
R.Ex.Comp. James T Saunders

V.Ex.Comp. Shayne H Eldridge
R.Ex.Comp. Grant B Parsons

GRAND CHAPTER OPENED

A constitutional number of Chapters being represented by their qualified officers, the One Hundred and Forty-second Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario was opened in Ample Form at 9:00 a.m.

The Grand First Principal announced that all Royal Arch Masons in good standing and properly vouched for, would now be welcomed. After admitting all Companions, the Grand First Principal welcomed all present at the One Hundred and Forty-second Annual Convocation.

Distinguished Guests - Introduced by R.Ex.Comp. Donald Emerick

British Columbia and the Yukon	M.Ex.Comp. Joseph R Marshall P.G.Z.
Newfoundland	M.Ex.Comp. W Job Parsons P.G.H.P.
Connecticut	M.Ex.Comp. Stephen Piner P.G.H.P.
Michigan	M.Ex.Comp. Leonard Campbell G.H.P.
New Hampshire	M.Ex.Comp. Roger Deloitte P.G.H.P.
Ohio	M.Ex.Comp. Robert Crabbs P.G.H.P.
Order of the High Priesthood	M.Ex. Grand High Priest James Hutchinson Grand President
Grand Council	M.Ill.Comp. William Klapatiuk M.Ill. Grand Master
Royal & Select Masters of Ontario	
Grand Imperial	M.Ill.Kt.Comp. Bert Mennie Past Grand Sovereign
Conclave of Canada	
Sovereign Great Priory of Canada	M.Em.Kt. Edward SP Carson Past Supreme Grand Master
York Rite Sovereign	M.Pre.Dist.Bro. Donald A King Past Grand Governor General
College of North America	
Supreme Council 33°	Ill.Bro. Norman E Byrne 33°Lieutenant Grand Commander
Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite	

The Grand First Principal greeted the Distinguished Guests individually as they were presented and welcomed them warmly. They were then escorted to their seats by the Grand Second and Grand Third Principals. Grand Honours were accorded the guests led by the Grand Scribe Nehemiah.

Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge Ancient Free & Accepted Masons of Canada, in the Province of Ontario, was presented in the West where he was formally and warmly received by M.Ex.Comp. Turner. Following Grand Honours he was escorted to his seat on the dias by the Grand First Principal.

The Grand First Principal called upon the Grand Chaplain for the Invocation.

INVOCATION

Let us pray. Almighty and gracious God Great Architect and creator of the universe; we give you thanks for the many and bountiful blessings which we have received from your hands. We ask for your blessing upon this convocation assembled, upon the leaders and men who look forward. We ask your blessing upon our deliberations that they may always be to your glory and honour and to the welfare of our beloved chapters. We ask this in your name. Amen.

FLAG CEREMONY AND ANTHEMS

The flags of Canada and the United States of America were presented at the Altar and placed in the East, following which the National Anthems of both countries were sung.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FRATERNAL DEAD AND MEMORIAL SERVICE

Companions, let us pray: Great Architect and Grand Geometrician of the Universe, we praise Thy Holy Name for all thy servants who have finished their course, laid down their working tools, and entered into that holy and spiritual Temple not made with hands. Make us, we beseech thee, deeply aware of the shortness and uncertainty of human life, and let Thy Holy Spirit lead us in holiness and righteousness all our days, that, when we shall have served Thee in our generation, we may be gathered unto our fathers, having the testimony of a good conscience, in the confidence of a certain faith, in the comfort of a reasonable, religious and holy hope, in favour with Thee our God, and in perfect charity with all people. Grant this for Thy great Name's sake. Amen.

We remember each of the Companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter above; and we have recorded in these proceedings the deaths each of the Companions and Excellent Companions who were members of Chapters in this jurisdiction. We cherish their memory in our hearts and we commit their souls to God, confident of His love for them and for us all. We shall observe a short period of silent remembrance in honour of our departed Companions.

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troublous life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then Lord, in thy mercy, grant us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last. Amen.

As we begin this Grand Convocation my Companions, I call upon us all to hear and observe God's words to us, and to carry out that word in our lives and in our actions. So mote it be.

GRAND MASTER'S REMARKS

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner called upon Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbon to bring greetings from The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, Distinguished Guests and my beloved Companions:

I thank you for the opportunity to address this august body and bring you most sincere fraternal greetings from the brethren of The Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario. We are delighted to be with you in the beautiful metropolis of Kitchener-Waterloo and thank you for the courtesies and hospitality extended to your Grand Master and my first lady Marjorie.

When I received your invitation I wondered what the Companions would like to hear, so I asked R.Ex.Comp., the Grand Scribe Ezra, Reverend Melvyn Duke what he thought I should speak to you about. He replied "Doesn't matter - Just be short!". Well that's easy Companions, I have been short all my life.

Last December your Grand Master protected one of our Masonic Landmarks in Ontario with an edict regarding the procedure Ontario Masons take to become a Shiner. It was faith that our present system of communicating the lessons of the Rites is an essential process to maintain the integrity of our fraternal order that prompted such action. This was a directive to the Masons of Ontario only. It did not and does not interfere with the Shrine to determine their own operating procedures and destiny. It does, however, maintain for the members of our Grand Lodge the common system originally established, since the Shrines inception in 1872 regardless of Shrine Temple affiliation.

Unfortunately this ruling had created unnecessary concern amongst our membership due to unfounded rumours and misconception and perceived misinformed interpretations. In reality nothing has changed. The procedure to become and maintain Shrine membership as an Ontario Mason, it is exactly the same as it always has been.

On April 4th your Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master and Grand Secretary met with some of the prominent Ontario leaders of the York Rite, the Scottish Rite and the three Temples of the Shrine. It was an open forum on how we as a Masonic family can help one another face the challenges of the future.

My Brethren, I personally have not felt so positive in a long, long time as to the future of Freemasonry in all its aspects. The spirit of cooperation, the spirit of actively seeking mutual solutions to our challenges was evident and I thank those leaders of foresight for the time and effort they have and will continue to give to address the future of Freemasonry in our Grand Jurisdiction. My faith has been rejuvenated that the faith of our fathers is living still.

Have you ever noticed it's open Masonic Hunting season all year round? Are we good at shooting ourselves in the foot. Have you heard any Masonic Shots lately? Perhaps I should explain. So often we get so concerned about the numbers game you know - why aren't we getting new members? New members for the Shrine - new members for the Preceptory, the Consistory, the Chapter, new members for the Craft lodge.

Listen Up - Listen to Us - Listen to the Masonic Podiatrist Marksmen.

In a group of young adults a brother complains about how we are not getting any new young members. **BANG!** There goes another member shooting us in the foot. If they are going to do that I'll quit. **BANG!** I disagree - I'm not going to talk to him anymore. **Bang!**



He doesn't know what he's doing I'll be darned if I'm going to bail him out again. **Bang!**
We've never done that before. **Bang!**

If that's the way he's going to be I'll fix his wagon. We'll see who runs this lodge, this Chapter this Grand Chapter. **Bang Bang Bang!**

Rules are made to be broken it doesn't matter what the constitution says. **Bang!**

\$2 Million Dollars for Help-2-Hear they are out of their cotton picken minds. **Bang!**

I haven't got the time to learn the ritual I'll just read it. **Bang!**

Protocol, shot-a-call, it doesn't matter. **Bang!**

We are the important ones not them, they, those guys, who do they think they are. **Bang!**

You sure didn't miss much last night they read the minutes, paid the accounts, and had a lousy lunch. I don't know why I go. **Bang Bang Bang!**

Think about it Companions! Listening to some of our brethren, why would you want to join our fraternity of brotherly love, relief and truth? Most of our problems are caused from within, by ourselves, not from external enemies but by our egos, our little internal voices that cause us to shoot ourselves in the foot. M.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner, my fervent wish for every companion and mason throughout our jurisdiction is that we lay down these weapons of internal bickering, childishness and egotistical nonsense, stop shooting from the lip; and as Companions and Brethren adhere to the ritualistic lessons, putting our Companion and Brother foremost, living the five points of fellowship and truly following the golden rule.

Companions unite under the banner of the Brotherhood of Man, under the Fatherhood of God. Strive to be the Companion that others will emulate and live better Masonically. God Bless.

PRESENTATION OF PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

The Grand First Principal, M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner called on R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, Grand Scribe Ezra, to call the roll of the Past Grand First Principals and for them to assemble in the West.

M.Ex.Comp. Charles W Emmett	1961-62
M.Ex.Comp. Aube L Weisman	1978-79
M.Ex.Comp. Gordon H Stuart	1982-83
M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe	1984-85
M.Ex.Comp. Albert A Mortlock	1986-87
M.Ex.Comp. Leslie Levitt	1988-89
M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline	1990-91
M.Ex.Comp. G Robert Jackson	1992-93
M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker	1994-95
M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell	1996-97

Most Excellent the Past Grand First Principals of this Grand Chapter, it is indeed a pleasure that you are joining with us this morning in our Convocation proceedings and it is certainly an honour for this Grand Council to welcome you into your Grand Chapter.

I know over the past year, you have allowed us to pick your brains and use your experience and your knowledge, and it certainly has been appreciated by this Grand Council. M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell, it has to be your first time in the West, and congratulations on what you accomplished in your two years. I'm sure you are enjoying the comfort of being out there and watching me struggle and work my way through this convocation.

Grand Scribe Nehemiah will lead the Companions in Grand Honours.

G.Z: M.Ex.Comp. Elcombe, I would call upon you for some remarks.

M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe: Most Excellent Sir, it is a privilege for me to respond on behalf of my colleagues and we thank you for your warm welcome and comments and we assure you that we are here and ready to serve this Grand Chapter at all times.

M.Ex.Comp. Turner called upon R.Ex.Comp. John McCusker, Grand Superintendent of Wellington District No. 4 to give the:

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions: On behalf of the companions of Wellington District No. 4 I extend a warm welcome to you our visitors. It is indeed an honour to have you as our guests in the city of Kitchener for the 142nd Convocation of Grand Chapter. At this time, I would like to recognize the efforts of R.Ex.Comp. Bruce Miller and his committee for the extensive planning and hard work they have put into this convocation. Their efforts have, I think, brought distinction to Wellington District and I recommend to all that you take time while here to enjoy one of the most diverse areas of the province. It is a wealth of culture and pioneer spirit and we are on the forefront of the most technological advancements within a close distance of these walls. Enjoy a delightful time in St Jacobs or the modern downtown areas of Kitchener and Waterloo during your stay.

Companions we have entered a new millennium the new challenges for man kind in general and our craft in particular are many. Take inspiration from the diversity around us and the fact that masonry has been here for countless generations. Many thanks for the tireless support of those present and others before you. Your presence guarantees this 142nd Grand Convocations success. Please enjoy a safe and fruitful visit. Once again welcome.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS CONVOCATION

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Third Principal that the proceedings of the 141st Grand Convocation held in Niagara Falls, Ontario, on Friday the 16th of April and Saturday the 17th of April 1999, having been printed and copies sent to all Chapters in the jurisdiction, that the recorded minutes be considered as read, and the same now be confirmed. CARRIED.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Third Principal that the order of business of this Annual Convocation be changed at the discretion of the Grand First Principal. CARRIED.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Third Principal that R.Ex.Comp. Guenther H Gahs be confirmed as Chairman of the Credentials Committee with power to form his own Committee as approved by the Grand First Principal. CARRIED.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand Second Principal, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Third Principal that R.Ex.Comp. Guenther H Gahs be confirmed as Chairman of the Scrutineer Committee with the power to form his own Committee as approved by the Grand First Principal. CARRIED.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, asked the Grand Scribe Ezra to call the Representatives of Sister Jurisdictions near our Grand Body, and asked them to answer the call and assemble on the north and south sides of the Altar.

COUNTRY OF JURISDICTION

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT

Alberta	Albert A Mortlock
Arizona	Donald Attridge
Arkansas	John V Lawer
British Columbia	M Sheldon Boomhour
California	
Colorado	Bert A Mennie
Connecticut	David W Laskey
Delaware	R Frank Russell
District of Columbia	Robert S Wylie
Finland	E Roy Harrison
Florida	Alan F Walker
France	Russell H Sills
Georgia	Frederick C Garvin
Germany	Guenther H Gahs
Greece	Sandy Glasgow
Idaho	Guy G Deavu
India	Malcolm W Watling
Indiana	R Allan Cadwallader
Iowa	T Bilardino Segui
Ireland	William J Boston
Illinois	Melvyn J Duke
Indiana	R Allan Cadwallader
Israel	Eric Laiken
Kansas	Edwin R Carr
Louisiana	Edward SP Carson

Maine	Henry E Winslow
Manitoba	L Ian Montague
Maryland	David G Walker
Massachusetts	Sven Nielsen
Michigan	Donald F Kline
Minnesota	Frederick Gronski
Missouri	R William Glover
Mississippi	James W Reid
Montana	Larry J Hostine
Nebraska	William Klapatiuk
Netherlands	Ronald McClung
Nevada	Brian Stapley
New Brunswick	Malcolm MacKenzie
Newfoundland	Donald J Gent
New Hampshire	Percy Barr
New Mexico	Alton Roy
New South Wales	Edward W Elcombe
New York	Charles Meldrum
North Carolina	Donald J Emerick
Nova Scotia	Wesley Massey
Quebec	Walter T Bulbeck
Ohio	Clifford J Meunier
Oregon	Alan A Foote
Pennsylvania	Wilson S Anderson
Rhode Island	John E Gamble
Saskatchewan	Richard Stevenson
Scotland	John W McGill
South Australia	B Donald Lamont
South Dakota	M John Moor
Texas	C Gordon Sinclair
Utah	John Post
Vermont	Edward G Ounjian
Victoria (Australia)	Bruce Miller
Virginia	Dale Plant
West Virginia	Harry D Turner
Wisconsin	James M Napier
Wyoming	Donald A King

To you Most Excellent, Right Excellent and Very Excellent Companions, it is a pleasure to extend to you our sincere welcome. In the Grand Representative system, you have an important duty in establishing and maintaining good fraternal relations of this Grand Chapter and the Grand Chapter from whom you have received your Commission.

I thank you sincerely for carrying out those duties with zeal and congratulate each of you on your dedication to Royal Arch Masonry.

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner called on the Grand Director of Ceremonies to lead in Grand Honours.

REPORT OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your committee on the Distinguished Service Award are pleased and privileged to have this opportunity of presenting the following Companions, highly recommended by their peers in their Chapters, for your consideration, to receive the Distinguished Service Award. Their dedication is well documented and known.

They are:

Companion Jack Lewis Roblin

Mount Sinai Chapter No. 44, Napanee

Companion Jack Ogden

Palestine Chapter No 54, St Thomas

We your committee recommend that all Chapters having a Distinguished Service Award recipient print their name in an appropriate area on their summons. Only a few Distinguished Companions receive this Honour and we should do our utmost in showing our respect and admiration.

Fraternally and sincerely submitted, M.Ex.Comps. Albert A Mortlock, Alan F Walker and Donald F Kline, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself, M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

M.Ex.Comp. Turner then requested M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell to assume the Sceptre.

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS

To the Officers and Companions of the Most Excellent The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Companions all; It is an honour for me to bid you welcome to this our 142nd Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

We join in the words of our Grand Chaplain to express our thanks to the Great Jehovah for sparing us that we may be together once again in that true spirit of harmony and companionship.

This year we meet in the centre of the Wellington District farming community, in the city of Kitchener. We need only to read a map which will disclose to us the historical names from our past that have been given to the cities, towns and communities in the surrounding countryside.

Our heritage in this area dates back well over two hundred years. As new settlers arrived, as history was being made, as our Province and Country was beginning to grow and prosper, assisted by men of vision, some of whom also practised Freemasonry.

Over the past one hundred and forty -two years the membership of this Grand Chapter have been called on to apply their expertise to many items, which has been properly recorded. Our history reveals that this Grand Chapter owes and pays allegiance to the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

One hundred and five days ago we entered the Twenty-first Century and I must report to you that the fabric covering of our Masonic structure has been marred. We have come to recognize the Concordant and Appendant Masonic bodies, and the accepted regulations to be followed to gain membership in good standing, as a Brother expands his Masonic knowledge.

Our Grand Lodge recognizes the Scottish Rite, the York Rite and the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Should a Brother wish to expand his Masonic knowledge by applying for membership in these Appendant Bodies let him follow the prerequisites of advancement that we have always practised. I would expect all Companions of a Royal Arch Chapter, resident in Ontario, to support, promote and practice the edict distributed by our Grand Master.

With the permission of our Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, I quote the scripture verse used in the opening lines of his letter of direction to the Brethren of Ontario on this subject Matthew 12 verse 25

‘Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste,
and no city or house divided against itself will stand’

During the past twenty-four months our Grand Lecturer, Right Excellent Companion James W Reid, assisted by other Companions has reviewed, revised, re-written and caused to be published our ritual book of The Work, our book on the Ceremony of Installation, our book on Protocol and Etiquette and the informational package prepared for presentation to our Grand Superintendents elect.

This project was very demanding and took many hundreds of hours to accomplish, all to the betterment of Capitular Masonry. I congratulate all those who assisted in this onerous task, my thanks for a difficult job, which was well done.

My term in office as your Grand First Principal will conclude tomorrow and our new Grand Council will take over. The past two years has passed very quickly with many events having taken place throughout our jurisdiction. My thanks to the Companions, and their ladies, for their attendance during my visits to your chapter meetings and social events.

During the course of presiding over our Grand Chapter, I was called on to deal with a number of items which required a decision, or to make a ruling. I accepted the challenge to deal with each and every subject presented to me and rendered a written, qualified decision. Not all of my decisions were easy to make, and some were not received favourably. But, all were declared after due deliberation, in accordance with our Constitution and for the good of Capitular Masonry within this jurisdiction.

As we are now well over the threshold of the Twenty-first Century and look forward to a brighter tomorrow, I would ask that you remember the research being performed by our medical research scientists as they apply themselves to aid mankind to find a cure for the many dread diseases that cripple and kill so many people annually.

And to those Royal Arch Masons or their relatives who strive to improve themselves in the halls of higher learning, and as a student would be greatly assisted by receiving a bursary cheque, let us demonstrate that we care by offering our financial support to our students.

Companions, I encourage you to continue with your financial support of our Royal Arch Charities by using our new self-addressed Charities envelopes, and by remembering, 'you can make a difference'.

My appreciation to the Companions of Wellington District No. 4 for hosting this 142nd Annual Convocation. To the Grand Superintendent, Right Excellent Companion John McCusker, to the General Chairman, Right Excellent Companion Bruce Miller and to the Companions and ladies who have planned and worked many hours that we may enjoy a successful Convocation, my sincere thanks for your efforts and for a job well done.

To the Grand First Principals, Grand High Priests and Companions of our Canadian sister jurisdictions, my thanks for your attendance and support to this Grand Chapter.

Also, to the Grand High Priests and Companions from sister jurisdictions visiting from the United States of America, a sincere welcome to you all. May your visit be as memorable to you as my visits were to some of your Grand Convocations, and we look forward to future opportunities of sharing in each others company. We are pleased to receive and recognize Companions who are presiding officers of our Concordant and Appendant Masonic Bodies. We do enjoy the fraternal friendships of each others company and it is imperative that we work together for the benefit of Freemasonry. May each of you enjoy a pleasant stay with us during this Convocation.

It is my honour to recognize Excellent Companion and Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, the Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario. A sincere, warm welcome to you, we appreciate you finding the time in a busy schedule to attend our 142nd Grand Convocation.

My congratulations and our thanks to you for the manner in which you are serving your office as our Grand Master. We have shared a few hours of discussing matters of mutual concerns to the future of Freemasonry in our jurisdiction. This Grand First Principal and our Grand Chapter, will continue to support the work and ideals of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

NECROLOGY: Our Grand Chaplain has presented a report on the Fraternal Dead and conducted a Memorial Service to the memory of Companions who have passed to the Grand Chapter Above during the past twelve months. Included in our prayers are those Companions of our sister jurisdictions as they mourn the loss of their members. As we offer our prayers, let us remember the good times shared with those true and faithful servants who have laid down their working tools to travel to that 'undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller returns', that they may enjoy eternal rest.

During the month of July 1999, we were advised of the passing to the Grand Chapter Above of our newly invested Grand Principal Sojourner. Right Excellent Companion Alvin T Fuller had been hospitalized for a serious illness. However, during our 1999 Grand Convocation he arranged for a day pass from the hospital in order to allow him to attend our Convocation and to be Invested as our Grand Principal Sojourner.

As we deplore the passing of our Companions, so also do we cherish the memory of the many hours they shared with us over the years.

BENEVOLENCE: Our Benevolence Committee, under the chairmanship of Right Excellent Companion Kenneth L Whiting, have been diligent while applying their expertise to their duties, which is accepted as one of the most important aspects of our Masonry. All Companions are encouraged to notify your Benevolence Committee should you become aware of a Companion or a Companion's widow, who may be considered to be in need of assistance. Such information will allow us to extend that assistance in their time of need.

CONSTITUTION: Companions, ours is a province wide fraternal organization. A fraternal organization with rules and regulations which have been listed in our Constitution. Every member on the roll of our Grand Chapter is required, by obligation, to adhere to our Constitution. Any deviation or breach of the Constitution can not be tolerated by Grand Chapter.

Should it prove to be necessary to deal with a breach of our Constitution, remedial action and directives will be issued from the office of the Grand First Principal. Once again as the Presiding Officer, I was called on to deal with breaches of our Constitution on six occasions because of inappropriate action of a First Principal.

St. Clair District No. 1: an Excellent Companion was disqualified from seeking an elective office because a First Principal printed the candidacy in his Chapter summons.

London District No. 2: a First Principal was reprimanded in writing for a breach of our Constitution, Section 87, subsections (a) and (c), on membership.

Wellington District No. 4: a First Principal was directed to appear in our Grand Chapter office, with the Chapter's Charter, as he was in breach of our Constitution, Section 29, subsection (i). After due deliberation, this matter was settled amicably, to the satisfaction of all Companions involved.

Niagara District No. 7: Chapter into Darkness. During the last quarter of 1999 Companions of Mount Nebo Chapter No. 76 decided to surrender the Charter due to the lack of a quorum during their monthly meetings. The First Principal failed to complete his responsibilities as per the Constitution in having his Chapter furnishings, books and the Charter delivered to the office of Grand Chapter. The Grand Superintendent was assigned to attend at the Niagara Falls Masonic Temple, as the result of a complaint from the custodian of the Temple, retrieved most of the furnishings and arrested the Charter of the Chapter.

The First Principal was then delivered a notice to cause the remainder of the books, seal and financial statements required as per our Constitution. The First Principal completed all deliveries, as required.

Ontario District No. 10: a First Principal was advised that his predecessor in office had failed to conduct himself in the approved manner of receiving a Grand Superintendent into Chapter. This was resolved by a letter of apology to the Right Excellent Companion who had been injured.

Algoma District No. 14: a First Principal was advised that members of his Chapter were conducting themselves contrary to the well being and good order of Capitular Masonry. The Grand Superintendent reported the First Principal was in breach of our Constitution, Section 29, subsections (n), (q) and (r). The First Principal was directed to ensure that his Chapter Returns were completed and submitted to Grand Chapter and that all per capita dues be paid in full.

The Algoma District No. 14: annual meeting was held on Saturday, March 4th in Thunder Bay. The Grand Superintendent was confronted with a number of dissident Companions, who were reported to have conducted themselves in what was described as an unruly and disruptive manner. At that portion of the meeting for the election of a Grand Superintendent, one nomination was put forward and the nominee declined. A Companion then read out the names of Past First Principals of Shuniah Chapter, one of whom stated he would be the Grand Superintendent elect and there would be no need to read any other names. No other nominations were submitted.

The Excellent Companion who stated he would be the next Grand Superintendent was party to the disruptive atmosphere of the meeting. At the close of the meeting, and due to the demeanour and conduct of some Companions, the Grand Superintendent's Secretary resigned from office and surrendered the books to the Grand Superintendent. During the following 72 hours the Grand Chapter office received written reports from the Grand Superintendent and several phone calls from other Companions of Algoma District describing the controversial conduct of some Companions, including the Grand Superintendent elect. A few Companions advised they would be taking their demit and all callers refused to accept the self declared Grand Superintendent elect for the office of Grand Superintendent.

The Grand Superintendent elect, in my view, conducted himself in a manner contrary to the good of Royal Arch Masonry and is not considered a fit and proper person to be the representative of a Grand First Principal. I therefore have rejected his nomination as Grand Superintendent elect and he will not be confirmed in that office during this Grand Convocation. The Grand First Principal will exercise his powers under our Constitution, Section 18, subsection (k) by appointing a Past First Principal of Algoma District No. 14 as Grand Superintendent.

This year there were thirty-nine First Principals who failed to have the Annual Returns of his Chapter submitted to the Grand Chapter office on or before January 31st. Comparatively, last year there were twenty-eight Chapters not returned.

Today, seven First Principals remain delinquent and the Council members and Past Principals of these seven Chapters have forfeited their voting privileges for this year. Five of these Chapters have failed to work in accordance with our Constitution, in this regard, for three consecutive years. This dilatory type of action by a First Principal is a negative display of responsibility to his obligation to this Grand Chapter, as well as to the members of his Chapter.

For the second time in two years I have been asked to allow a Grand Superintendent to change the date of his District meeting. He had set such date prior to the January 15th date, as per our Constitution, Section 29, subsection (c). Having met this criteria, such meeting date can not be changed after the January 15th deadline has passed.

Due to the Passing of our Grand Principal Sojourner, Right Excellent Companion Alvin T Fuller, in July 1999 and in keeping with our Constitution, Section 25, sub-section (h), I appointed Very Excellent Companion Wesley Massey to fill the office of Grand Principal Sojourner. Right Excellent Companion Massey's appointment to this elective office was effective August 1, 1999.

Companions, the duties of a Grand First Principal could be made easier if the officers of our Chapters, especially a First Principal and the Scribe Ezra, would read, understand and practice the contents of the latest issue of our Constitution.

PAST RANK: Due to the untimely passing to the Grand Chapter Above of Right Excellent Companion Alvin T Fuller, he did not complete his term in the office of our Grand Principal Sojourner. I recommend that Past Rank be granted to the late Right Excellent Companion Fuller.

In August 1999, Right Excellent Companion Wesley Massey was appointed to the elective office of Grand Principal Sojourner. This appointment became necessary due to the death of the Companion who held that office. Right Excellent Companion Massey's term in office will expire on April 15, 2000 as a result of our annual election of officers. As Right Excellent Companion Massey has not served his office for the required twelve months I recommend that Past Rank be granted to this dedicated Companion.

I received a letter, dated October 21, 1999 from Keystone Chapter No. 35 Whitby, quoting our 1998 Constitution, Section 26, sub-section (w) (i), requesting that a member of Keystone Chapter No. 35 be granted Past First Principal rank. The member is Companion and Right Worshipful Brother Terence Shand. Companion Shand holds the office of Deputy Grand Master of The Grand Lodge A.F.& A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario. It is my privilege to recommend Past First Principal rank be conferred on this dedicated Mason.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES: During these past twelve months I have had the opportunity to recommend the following Companions as a Grand Representative near our Grand Chapter. Some of the Companions have received their Commission and have been duly obligated while others are still pending.

Right Excellent Companion Donald Attridge	Arizona
Right Excellent Companion E Roy Harrison	Finland
Very Excellent Companion Edwin R Carr	Kansas
Very Excellent Companion Frederick Gronski	Minnesota
Right Excellent Companion William Glover	Missouri
Very Excellent Companion Brian Stapely	Nevada
Right Excellent Companion Wesley Massey	Nova Scotia
Right Excellent Companion Walter T Bulbeck	Quebec
Very Excellent Companion John E Gamble	Rhode Island
Right Excellent Companion John W McGill	Scotland

It was also my pleasure to approve Commissions for the following Companions as our Grand Representatives near our sister Grand Jurisdictions.

Most Excellent Carmen D Borgia	Massachusetts
Companion Harold L Porter	Idaho

To all of our Grand Representatives, I extend my thanks to you for accepting your Commission and the responsibility that goes with it. I do encourage you to maintain proper communications with your counterpart. We still hear reports submitted identifying the lack of such communication from the representative of some of our Sister Jurisdictions. In my travels to Sister Jurisdictions I have heard similar reports issued during their Grand Convocations. Never the less, the Companions of Ontario must maintain their correspondence to show that it is our desire to continue this important link with our Sister Jurisdictions.

GRAND SUPERINTENDENTS: To the Companions of our seventeen Districts who were elected as the representative of this Grand First Principal, my thanks to you for having carried out your duties for the benefit of our Capitular Masonry in your respective Districts as the Grand Superintendent during the past twelve months. I am going to take the opportunity to further identify two of these Companions; Right Excellent Companion Richard R Berday is about to complete his second consecutive year as the Grand Superintendent of Algoma District No. 14 and Right Excellent Companion Clifford Sly is about to complete his third consecutive year as Grand Superintendent of Wilson District No. 3.

It is unfortunate that there were circumstances, not of their making, that occurred which prevented these two Companions from being succeeded in office. By the same token, it was fortunate for our Grand Chapter that both of these Companions dedicated themselves to the ideals and responsibilities of their office by continuing to serve this Grand Chapter and for that service I thank them most sincerely.

To all Grand Chapter officers who are about to complete their elected or appointed term in office, my thanks to you for your interest in forming part of this Grand Chapter. I extend my best wishes to each of you in your future endeavours.

DISPENSATIONS: During the past twelve months there have been 77 dispensations issued, most of them dealing with matters of a routine nature in the operation of our Chapters. Some of these dispensations were requested to allow a Chapter to hold a Master Mason's Night, or for social events when the chapter would host their ladies and lodge brethren to a dinner reception and dance. It is always a pleasure for us, in Grand Chapter, to endorse and support such programs.

PRESENTATION OF JEWELS: There were 101 Companions throughout our jurisdiction that were recognized for service to our Grand Chapter by receiving either a Long Service jewel, a service bar or a certificate:-

Past First Principal's Certificate	29
50 years a Royal Arch Mason	48
50 years a Past First Principal	1
25 years a Past First Principal	23

To the Companions receiving these awards, my congratulations, I thank you for your commitment and participation to Capitular Masonry. Each of you are a credit to your Chapter and to yourselves on accomplishing many years of service. Our Grand Chapter also issues, on request, a lapel pin for those companions who have attained a twenty-five year membership.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD: The Companions who were recognized at our 1999 Grand Convocation by receiving the Distinguished Service Award have been invited to be the guests of Grand Chapter at this year's annual banquet. I would ask that all Companions present who have received this award to please stand and be recognized, thank you Companions. During this Grand Convocation a member of the Committee has reported the names of the Companions to be recognized this year. My congratulations to all recipients of this prestigious award, and my thanks for your dedication to your Chapters, and to Freemasonry in general.

ANNIVERSARIES: Aurora, Saturday May 15 1999 - the Council and Companions of Aurora Chapter No. 235 celebrated the 75th and 76th anniversaries of the Chapter having been Constituted. It was my privilege to be present and to conduct the rededication ceremony of the Chapter. At the conclusion of our ceremonies our ladies entered the Chapter room and were presented by the Director of Ceremonies. Present were three widows of Past First Principals, Mrs. I Johnson, (NF Johnson-1931,'47), Mrs. B Hepple, (John-1968), and Mrs. I Rickward, (Robert-1971). Twenty Companions were recognized for long service to Capitular Masonry with the giving and receiving of certificates, jewels and lapel buttons. All ladies and Companions then adjourned to a nearby restaurant for a traditional anniversary dinner.

APPOINTMENTS: In keeping with our Constitution, Section 50, subsection (e), for dedicated service rendered to our Grand Chapter, I recommend the conferring of Honorary Membership in the Grand Executive Committee on Right Excellent Companions Norman D McComb, Derek J Ward and Very Excellent Companion Denis Langridge.

AMALGAMATIONS: During the Grand Chapter Convocation of 1922, it was resolved that Toronto District No. 8 be divided into two districts to be known as Toronto East District No. 8 and Toronto West District No. 8A. Over the past number of years Toronto Districts 8 and 8A have seen the closing of a number of Chapters, and the amalgamation of others. On Wednesday, March 1st Toronto District 8 held their annual district meeting which would include the election of a Grand Superintendent elect. The meeting closed with no nominations for that office. Toronto District 8 now has seven Chapters, with Aurora Chapter No. 235 and The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145 planning to amalgamate in the near future. Toronto District 8A presently has ten Chapters and after due deliberation, and by the power vested in my office, I recommend and do so declare that Toronto Districts 8 and 8A amalgamate and will hereafter be shown on the register of Grand Chapter as Toronto District 8.

In the Town of Mitchell Tuesday May 4 1999, accompanied by officers of this Grand Chapter, we took part in the Amalgamation Ceremony of The Malloch Chapter No. 66 and Elliott Chapter No. 129 thus forming the Elliott-Malloch Chapter No. 66. The Companions spent many hours over a number of months discussing the future of their respective Chapters. Having decided on the positive action of amalgamating, we wish for them a bright and prosperous new beginning as they work together in Capitular Masonry.

Renfrew Saturday October 16 1999, Bonnechere Chapter No. 114 Renfrew and Laurentian Chapter No. 151 Pembroke, after many months of negotiations and planning, invited the officers of Grand Chapter to preside over the Ceremony of Amalgamation. I had the privilege to preside at this ceremony, joined by present and past Grand Chapter officers, and a new name has been entered on the rolls of Grand Chapter, Sanhedrin Chapter No. 114 meeting in Renfrew.

My thanks to Right Excellent Gordon E Cross and his committee for making the necessary arrangements and accommodations. After the Amalgamation Ceremony Right Excellent Companion George F Graves, assisted by a number of Companions conducted the Ceremony of Installation and Investiture on the officers of the newly named Sanhedrin Chapter No. 114. Later in the evening we were joined by the ladies for an enjoyable banquet hour. It was announced that the Chapter had received a number of applications for membership. A positive weekend of events for Capitular Masonry in Ottawa District No. 13. Our congratulations and best wishes to Sanhedrin Chapter No. 114.

London Thursday October 28 1999, London Chapter No. 150 and The St. Andrew Chapter No. 238 invited the Grand Chapter officers to be in attendance and to perform the Ceremony of Amalgamation. The decision of the Companions to amalgamate was made after several meetings between these two Chapters and we in Grand Chapter were pleased to grant the request and extend our best wishes for the future to The St. Andrew - London Chapter No. 150.

Companions, as has been recorded, our membership is being reduced by death, demits and suspensions. Some of our Chapters do not have a large membership and such losses cause all of us much consternation as we try to offset the reduction of our numbers throughout this jurisdiction. We continue to receive new candidates from our craft lodges and it is encouraging to note that the average age of applicants is slightly lower, unfortunately this is not enough to overcome our losses. Over the past few years we have come to accept the amalgamation of chapters as a viable alternative which permits those Companions to continue to practice Royal Arch Masonry and we in Grand Chapter support these ideals.

The following Chapters are discussing and planning to amalgamate in the near future:

District Two -	St. John's Chapter No. 3 and St. George's Chapter No. 5
District Four -	Waterloo Chapter No. 32 and Preston Chapter No. 245
District Five -	MacKay Chapter No. 243
District Eight -	Aurora Chapter No. 235 and The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145

We wish the Companions well in their deliberations.

PUBLIC RELATIONS and THE KEYSTONE: The members of our Public Relations Committee continue to travel throughout our jurisdiction at many Chapter and Craft Lodge meetings. By the use of our 'table top' display panels, the Companions have received many favourable comments and I congratulate them for their commitment to Capitular Masonry. Some of the locations we were invited to set up the display panels was during the Grand Lodge annual Communications in Toronto, the International Ploughing Match in Dashwood, Ontario and the Western Fair in London. To the editor of the Keystone, Right Excellent Companion Bruce Miller, my thanks for your dedication and the use of your expertise in producing three quality communication newsletters. I took the liberty of applying the cost of a fourth paper to a one page advertisement in the Ontario Mason magazine published by our Grand Lodge.

This intent was to bring the message of Capitular Masonry to all Brethren in our jurisdiction that it may generate an interest in the Brethren to expand their Masonic knowledge by becoming a member of a Chapter.

INSTALLATIONS: Since our last Convocation in Niagara Falls I have been invited to attend the Installation Ceremony of several of our Chapters. I have also enjoyed the privilege of being present for the Installation of presiding officers in the Masonic Bodies of this and sister jurisdictions.

VISITATIONS: As the Grand First Principal of this Grand Chapter, I have travelled to Chapters within this jurisdiction and to visited with the Companions of some of our sister jurisdictions. On many of these trips I have been accompanied by my wife Geraldine and on all visits we have been cordially and warmly welcomed into your cities, towns and Chapters. The traditional hand of welcome and that bond of friendship was always evident and much appreciated.

I was able to represent our Grand Chapter at the following Masonic assemblies and with the ladies and Companions of sister jurisdictions.

May 7-8, 1999 71st Annual Convention Order of the High Priesthood held in Midland
May 19-24, 1999 5th Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Newfoundland
Stephenville, Newfoundland
May 28-29, 1999 99th Assembly of the Royal and Select Masters of Ontario, Midland
June 1-3, 1999 122nd Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Quebec Montreal
June 11-12, 1999 Spring Ceremonial of Rameses Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. Barrie
July 20-22, 1999 144th Annual Communication Grand Lodge A.F. &A.M. of Canada in the
Province of Ontario Toronto
Sept. 15-18, 1999 125th Reunion of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Niagara Falls
Sept.30, 1999 to
October 3, 1999 151st Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Michigan, Midland. MI
October 4-7, 1999 183rd Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Ohio, Columbus Ohio
Dec. 1-3, 1999 204th Grand Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia
Dec. 5-7, 1999 201st Annual Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Massachusetts, Boston
January 29, 2000 Murton Lodge of Perfection A.A.S.R. Installation and Dinner, Hamilton

I shall always remember our travels and the visits that Geraldine and I made during this past year and the Fraternal friendship with the Brethren, Companions and their ladies that we had the pleasure to share with them during these visits. A complete list of all my visits is appended to this report.

HONOURS: During this past year I have been privileged to receive Honorary membership in the following Chapters:

September 9, 1999	St. John's Chapter No. 6, Hamilton
October 16, 1999	Sanhedrin Chapter No. 114, Renfrew

My sincere thanks to the Companions for accepting me into the ranks of their two Chapters.

It was a privilege and honour for Geraldine and I to be received and recognized during this past year at a number of District receptions. To those Companions and their ladies that prepared and presented these special occasions, my thanks for your kind considerations.

March 6, 1999	London District No. 2 London/Nilestown with the ladies
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November 13, 1999
November 20, 1999
March 11, 2000
March 25, 2000

Hamilton District No. 5 with the ladies
Grenville Chapter No. 22, Prescott with the ladies
St. Clair District No. 1, Leamington with the ladies
Toronto Districts 8 and 8-A, Brampton with the ladies

APPRECIATION: To my wife Geraldine, for her company as my travelling companion and for her support to me over these past six years while I was serving the offices of our Grand Council. My added thanks as she accepted the role of hostess to the ladies of our delegates and as my partner while attending the various social events.

To our Past Grand First Principals for their support to me and the office of the Grand First Principal. With their knowledge, this Grand Chapter has a solid base of experience for any Grand First Principal to call on for advice and guidance. I am looking forward to tomorrow's events and the Ceremony of Installation, after which, I will join the ranks of this select group of Royal Arch Masons.

My appreciation for the support extended to me by the Grand Second Principal, Right Excellent Companion John W McGill and our Grand Third Principal, Right Excellent Companion M Sheldon Boomhour. I was very fortunate to have the support of two such dedicated Companions and I pledge to you my support as you prepare to advance to your next office in this Grand Chapter.

To those Companions that were elected or appointed and to those who offered their service to this Grand Chapter, we appreciate your interest and participation and you have my best wishes for the future. If you have not yet attained your goals, please continue to offer yourself to serve our Grand Chapter as we look forward to the future in this beautiful Province of Ontario.

To the office staff, for the many hours dedicated to the operation of this Grand Chapter under the supervision of Right Excellent Companion Melvyn J Duke. My thanks for your friendship, wise counsel and words of encouragement. Your knowledge and managerial skills are much appreciated by the Grand Council officers.

CONCLUSION: We have all heard the phrase used, 'it's lonely at the top', well Companions I'm here to dispute that phrase. During my term of office as a member of this Grand Council I did rise to the position of Presiding Officer as the Grand First Principal. And, yes there were some situations that had to be considered and decisions made, and I was the one who had to consider them and make the decisions which were not always favourably received. But, I was never alone, nor lonely.

I was surrounded by many talented and dedicated Royal Arch Masons that were ready, willing and able to assist me, advise me, and yes, I even received comfort from them, just knowing they were there if I needed them.

Such a relationship is what makes this Fraternity strong and will keep it strong so long as we practice those well known Masonic precepts of brotherly love, relief and truth. We have just recently left the Twentieth Century, stepped over the threshold of the Twenty-first Century and we look forward to our new Grand Council to begin our forward steps into this new century.

I would encourage all Companions to answer the call, support our Grand Council and by so doing continue to support this Grand Chapter. Step up and be part of the program, be active in all our endeavours and continue to promote Capitular Masonry.

This Grand Chapter will be quite busy tomorrow therefore I shall take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for having been allowed the privilege of serving you, my Companions, and this Grand Chapter for the past two years as the Grand First Principal. It is a wonderful experience, one that Geraldine and I will always remember.

I offer my support and extend my best wishes to our new Grand Council officers as they take up their new duties and responsibilities.

Companions, your attendance at this our 142nd Grand Convocation is very much appreciated by this Grand First Principal. We will soon hear from the chairmen of our various committees as they report on the events of the past year and describe their plans and ideas for our future. For the many courtesies that have been extended to me, I am grateful and may the Great Jehovah continue to watch over each one of us while we continue to practice our Freemasonry for the benefit of our fellow man and the future of our Royal Arch Masonry.

Thank you, and may God bless each one of you.

Harry D Turner,
Grand First Principal

Grand First Principal's Itinerary April 18, 1999 - April 16, 2000

1999 April

- 18 Niagara 'A' District Church Service - St Catharines
- 20 The St. Patrick Chapter No. 145 - Installation - Newmarket
- 21 St. Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No. 19 - Port Colborne
- 24 Niagara District No.7 Principals' Association Dinner - Niagara Falls
- 29 Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests - Installation - Etobicoke

May

- 1 Conclave of Canada - Joint Assembly - Peterborough
- 3 Etobicoke Lodge - Royal Ark Mariners - Installation - Streetsville
- 4 Amalgamation - Elliott and The Malloch Chapters - Mitchell
- 6 The Beaches Lodge No. 473 - Installation - Scarborough
- 7-9 Order of High Priesthood - Annual Assembly - Midland
- 15 Aurora Chapter No. 235 - 75th Anniversary - Aurora
- 17-25 Grand Chapter of Newfoundland - Stephenville Nfid
- 29-30 Grand Council Royal and Select Masters, 99th Annual Assembly - Midland

June

- 1-3 Grand Chapter of Quebec - Montreal
- 11-13 Rameses Shrine Spring Ceremonial - Barrie
- 16 Lebanon Chapter No. 220 - Annual Strawberry Festival - Etobicoke

July

20-22 Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario - Toronto

August

12 Georgian District No. 9 Annual Bar-B-Que - Midland

September

2 Keystone Chapter No. 72 - Present Distinguished Service Award - Stirling

7 Ivy Lodge No. 115 - Regular meeting - Beamsville

9 St. John's Chapter No. 6, Fraternal visit - Hamilton

11 Four Points Hotel - 2000 Convocation committee meeting - Kitchener

14 Doric Pickering Lodge - Reception, Deputy Grand Master - Pickering

15-19 A.A.S.R. Assembly - Sheraton Fallsview Hotel - Niagara Falls

20 McCallum-Grimsby Chapter No. 29 - R.A.M. Degree - Dunnville

22 Grand Lodge/International Plowing Match - Dashwood

23 St. Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No. 19 - Port Colborne

23 Holy Land Conclave No. 3 - Thornhill

30 Grand Chapter of Michigan - Midland, Michigan

October

1-2 Grand Chapter of Michigan Grand Chapter of Ohio

5-7 Grand Chapter of Ohio Columbus, Ohio

9 Athelstan York Rite College No. 41 - Etobicoke

15-16 Bonnechere Chapter No. 114 & Laurentian Chapter No. 151

Amalgamation/Installation Ceremonies - Renfrew

17 Ottawa District No. 13 Annual Divine Service - Ottawa

19 Oakwood Chapter No. 233 - Presentation of regalia to elected and appointed Grand Chapter officers. - Pickering

20 King Cyrus Chapter No. 232 - Regular Meeting - Toronto

22 Toronto-Antiquity Chapter No. 91, Fraternal visit - Toronto

23 Toronto Conclave No. 3, O.S.M. Regular meeting - Thornhill

28 London Chapter No. 150 & The St. Andrew Chapter No. 238 Amalgamation Ceremony - London

30 Seymour York Rite College No. 185 - Regular Assembly St. Catharines

November

1 Keystone Council No. 20, Royal & Select Masters - Streetsville

2 King Solomon's Chapter No. 8 - M.E.M. Degree - Toronto

3 Four Points Hotel - 2000 Convocation Committee Meeting - Kitchener

4 The Beaches Lodge No. 473 - Past Masters' Night - Scarborough

5 Pyramid Council No. 7, Royal & Select Masters - Niagara Falls

12 Mount Moriah Chapter No. 19 - Regular Meeting - St Catharines

13 Grand Executive Meeting - C.M.T. Main Street East Hamilton District No. 5 - Dinner reception with the Ladies - Hamilton

17 King Cyrus Chapter No. 232 - Installation - Toronto

20 Grenville Chapter No. 22 - Annual dinner with the Ladies - Prescott

25 St. Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No. 19 - Port Colborne

27 Seymour York Rite College No. 185 - Regular Assembly - St Catharines

December

- 1-2 Grand Chapter of Pennsylvania - Philadelphia Pennsylvania
- 4 Athelstan York Rite College No. 41 - Etobicoke
- 6 Keystone Council No. 20, Royal & Select Masters - Streetsville
- 7 Ivy Lodge No. 115 - Regular meeting/elections - Beamsville
- 10 Mount Moriah Chapter No. 19 - Regular meeting/elections - Beamsville

2000 January

- 3 Four Chapters' joint Installation - London
- 4 Pentalpha Chapter No. 28 - Dinner and Installation - Oshawa
- 6 King Hiram Chapter No. 57 & Willson Chapter No. 64 joint Annual Installation - Port Colborne
- 7 Godfrey de Bouillon Preceptory No. 3 - Installation - Hamilton
- 8 Peel Chapter No. 195 - Installation - Brampton
- Peel Chapter No. 195 - Ladies Night and Banquet
- 11 Signet Chapter No. 32 - Regalia presentation and investiture
V.Ex.Comp. (M.Wor.Bro.) William T. Anderson - Barrie
- 12 Couchiching Chapter No. 198 - R.A.M. Degree Past Grand Chapter Officers. - Orillia
- 14 Mount Moriah Chapter No. 19 - Installation - St Catharines
- 15 McCallum -Grimsby Chapter No. 29 - Robbie Burns night with the Ladies - Dunnville
- 17 McCallum-Grimsby Chapter No. 29- Installation - Dunnville
- 19 4 Points Hotel, 2000 Convocation Committee meeting - Kitchener
- 25 Port Credit Chapter No. 230 - Dinner/Installation - Port Credit
- 27 St. Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No. 19 - Regular meeting - Port Colborne
- 29 Merton Lodge of Perfection A.A.S.R. - Installation/Dinner with the Ladies - Hamilton
- 31 Toronto Districts 8 & 8A Principals' Association Dinner - Thornhill

February

- 1 Mt. Sinai Chapter No. 212 - Fraternal Visit - Richmond Hill
- 3 Occident Chapter No. 77 - Fraternal Visit - Streetsville
- 5 Harington Conclave No. 16 - Installation - Hamilton
- 7 Keystone Council No. 20, Royal & Select Masters Grand Master's Visit - Streetsville
- 11 Mount Moriah Chapter No. 19 - Regular meeting - St Catharines
- 12 Holy Land Conclave No. 3 - Regular meeting - Thornhill
- 19 Grand Chapter Finance Committee meeting/Grand Treasurer - Brampton
- 21 Erie-Blenheim Chapter No. 73 - R.A.M. Degree Team - Ridgetown
- 24 St. Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No. 19 - Regular Meeting - Port Colborne
- 25 Hiram Council No. 24 - Royal & Select Masters - Peterborough
- 26 Seymour York Rite College No. 185 - Open Installation/Dinner with the Ladies - St Catharines

March

- 3 Pyramid Council No. 7, Royal & Select Masters - Niagara Falls
- 5 Niagara District No. 7 Divine Service - St. James Anglican Church Niagara Falls
- 6 Keystone Chapter No. 224 - Installation - Hamilton

- 7 Ivy Lodge No. 115 - Regular Meeting - Beamsville
- 8 Four Points Hotel, 2000 Convocation Committee meeting - Kitchener
- 11 St. Clair District No. 1 - Dinner reception with the Ladies - Leamington
- 14 Royal & Select Masters Constitution Committee meeting - Hamilton
- 17 Hamilton District No. 5 Principals' Association/Dinner meeting - Hamilton
- 18 Semi-annual Grand Executive Meeting - Etobicoke
- 21 Ivy Lodge No. 115 - Emergent Meeting - Beamsville
- 22 Niagara District No. 7 Principals' Association meeting - Welland
- 23 St. Bernard de Clairveaux Preceptory No. 19 - Regular Meeting - Port Colborne
- 25 Seymour York Rite College No. 185 - St Catharines and
Regular Assembly Toronto Districts 8 & 8A Dinner Reception with the Ladies
- 26 Niagara Valley A.A.S.R. Annual dinner with the Ladies
- 29 Toronto Districts 8 & 8A Principals' Association - elections Thornhill
- 30 Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests - Installation - Etobicoke
- 31 Grand Master's Dinner Reception - Port Hope

April

- 1 Holy Land Conclave No. 3 - Regular Meeting - Thornhill
- 3 Keystone Council No. 20, Royal & Select Masters - Installation - Streetsville
- 4 Grand Master's meeting with Presiding Officers of Grand Chapter, Scottish Rite and
three Ontario Shrine Potentates - Toronto
- 8 Bokhara Court No. 22, Ladies Oriental Shrine Installation and Dinner - Toronto
- 12-15 Grand Chapter Convocation and Banquet - 4 Points Hotel - Kitchener
- 16 Immediate Past Grand First Principal..., at home!!!

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTION, LAWS AND JURISPRUDENCE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario:

Most Excellent Sir and Companions: As Chairman of the above Committee, I am pleased to present the report of this Committee with respect to its administration over the past Masonic year, together with such other matters as fall within the mandate of this Committee, pursuant to the Constitution of the Grand Chapter and, particularly, Article 59 thereof.

Since the last Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, your Committee has received from the Grand Scribe Ezra a number of applications from various Chapters to amend their respective by-laws. These applications have been examined and returned in due order to the Grand Scribe Ezra with the Chairman's endorsement recommending approval.

Your Committee examined and reported favourably on applications to amend by-laws from twenty-one chapters.

Two Notices of Motion to amend the Constitution of Grand Chapter have been received and reviewed, we report of them respectively.

R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker gave notice at the last Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter that he would move or cause to be moved that "Section 76 Grand Chapter Fees and Dues, subsection (c) the last paragraph be amended to read: For every member of Grand Chapter on the register of Grand Chapter as at the previous December 31st, payable semi-annually on the Thirtieth of June, and the Thirty-first of December each year: effective April 30th, 2000 \$5.00."

This motion is needed to increase the per capita charge payable by each Chapter to assist in the administration of Grand Chapter. As we are sure everyone is aware, costs in every phase of society are rising, and this amendment to the Constitution is to adjust the current per capita to provide more funds to Grand Chapter in an attempt to meet escalating costs. Your Committee finds such Amendment to be regular and in order.

M.Ex.Comp. Albert A Mortlock has given timely notice of a proposed amendment to Article 17(g) of the Constitution as follows: "That Article 17(g) of the Constitution be deleted and the following inserted: (g) No officer or member shall be permitted to be present at a Convocation of Grand Chapter without the proper clothing of a Royal Arch Mason. At the Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, the Deputy Grand Master or a Past Grand Master officially representing the Grand Master, the invited Presiding Grand Officer of a concordant Masonic Body or a Grand Officer officially representing the presiding Grand Officer of that Body, may wear the regalia of their office".

Currently, our Constitution requires that any person present at any Convocation of Grand Chapter shall be a Royal Arch Mason and shall wear their appropriate clothing and regalia as a Royal Arch Mason. The exception to this requirement permits the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario or his Deputy or a Past Grand Master, as his delegate, to wear the regalia of Grand Lodge. This exception is undoubtedly a mark of respect to our Grand Master or his delegate, as the Grand Master is the Chief Presiding Officer of all Masons in Ontario. As a Royal Arch Mason must be a craft Mason, our Grand Master, by tradition, is accorded the utmost dignity and respect at Convocations of Grand Chapter at which he is present and, accordingly, he only is allowed to wear the regalia of his Grand Lodge Office.

Whenever the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario is in session, only its current and past Grand Officers and Masters, Past Masters and Wardens of Lodges, duly returned, are permitted to be in attendance. Usually by custom, the Grand Master also invites all craft Masons of this jurisdiction to be present, but each person present is required to be a Mason and wear his proper regalia.

Whenever a non-Mason is invited to attend, Grand Lodge is called off. A similar requirement is in effect in Grand Chapter as to regalia and the invitation to non-Royal Arch Masons.

In the Statutes and Regulations of the Supreme Council of Canada, there is currently a provision that persons, other than members of Supreme Council, may be present and may wear the regalia of their particular office, if any, but ONLY during certain times and always at the pleasure of the Sovereign Grand Commander.

The proposed amendment would permit persons who had been invited to attend the Grand Convocation and who were not Royal Arch Masons, to wear the regalia of their particular body, which the amendment states must be a concordant body to this Grand Chapter. The Constitution of the Grand Chapter does not mention or otherwise define what is or is not a concordant body.

In the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario and currently in Grand Chapter, only members of each respective body may be present, and shall wear the regalia of their respective body. In each instance, Grand Lodge and Grand Chapter are opened in full or otherwise regular or formal form, and only permit persons who are member of that Grand Lodge and/or Grand Chapter to be present wearing, of course, their respective proper regalia. The same is similarly true of the Supreme Council of Canada for, although it has a statute or regulation, allowing non members of Supreme Council to be present and to wear their respective regalia, such can be done only during certain times and certainly not when the Lodge is opened in a form in which a degree might be conferred.

Due to the uncertainty this proposed amendment might create, with particular reference to concordant bodies, and that it is basically contrary to the recognized procedures in not only Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Supreme Council, your Committee finds the proposed amendment not to be regular and, accordingly not in order, and therefore not acceptable for presentation to Grand Chapter.

Once again, your Committee strongly recommends and urges all Constituent Chapters who are considering amending their By-laws, that they read and carefully study the provisions of Article 80(d) appearing on Pages 57 and 58 of the Constitution of the Grand Chapter 1998 edition, for it is there that the specific requirements are laid out. Forms and assistance are readily available through the office of the Grand Scribe Ezra.

As Chairman of this Committee, I extend my thanks and appreciation to the other members of the Committee namely, R. Ex.Comp. John W McGill and V.Ex.Comp. John V Lawer and to the Grand Scribe Ezra R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke for his assistance and the many courtesies afforded to this Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee. V.Ex.Comp. Norman E Byrne, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and seconded myself V.Ex.Comp. Norman E Byrne that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE BURSARY COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Companions of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

We are very happy to report on your Committee activities in assuring that the children and grand children of our Companions in this jurisdiction have the support of this Grand Chapter to pursue their educational goals.

This Committee has awarded 32 Bursaries to students who qualified to receive our help and a. Medical Scholarships to the University of Toronto, for a total of \$9,100.00. Applications received this year were from 14 first year students, 8 second year students, 5 third year students and 5 fourth year students.

Applications were received from:, District 2 with 4, District 5 with 3, District 6 with 4, District 7 with 1, District 8 with 2, District 8A with 1, District 9 with. 3, District 10 with 4, District 12 with 1, District 13 with 7, District 16 with 2. These students are attending schools in most of the major Universities and Colleges in Ontario and are studying 24 different courses ranging from Ultra Sound Technician, Aero Space Engineer, Teachers, Social Service, Police Officers, Marine Engineer, Test Pilot, Publishing, Chartered Accounting and Computer Technology to name a few.

We were pleased to hear from these students about how the Bursaries were presented by the Grand Superintendents or the Bursary Chairman and the special evening at the Chapters. Most of the Bursary money goes into the purchasing of books. The Committee extends its warmest thanks to each of the Companions who made the presentations and for the assistance and information so willingly offered by the Grand Chapter Office.

Thank you to all the Companions and Districts who have made contributions to the Grand Chapter Bursary Capital Fund. Be satisfied that this money is being carefully allocated and being usefully spent by the students and that by helping our children with their education is not only the smart thing to do but the right thing.

Respectfully submitted by: V.Ex.Comps. Fred Lewis, Robert Wylie George W White, R.Ex.Comps George W Chambers, Michel Sastre, M.Ex.Comp. G Robert Jackson, and V.Ex.Comp. Denis Langridge, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R. Ex. Comp John W McGill seconded by myself V.Ex.Comp Denis Langridge that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE GRAND REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Last fall a survey was mailed to every Grand Representative in order to obtain accurate information concerning the Grand Representatives program and how it is working. The mailing included a cover letter on Grand Chapter letterhead and an information opinion sheet to be filled out and returned.

The Committee received some sort of reply from 46 of the 78 representatives, a 59% response. The Committee wishes to thank those Companions who responded. Without your time this survey data wouldn't be possible.

The survey reveals the following facts: - Only 25 of the 46 Grand Representatives who replied made contact with their opposite member in the other Grand Jurisdiction and even when some of our Grand Representatives contacted the Grand Scribe E in the other jurisdiction, they got no response.

The Committee comment on these two points are: too many of our sister Grand Chapters are not responding to the initiatives of our Grand Representatives; the Committee is disappointed by the failure of over 40% of our own Grand Representatives to reply to our survey, but is unable, in most cases, to discover why this is so. The Committee wishes to share with you a comment made by one of our own Grand Representatives, meant to apply to the other Grand Jurisdictions, but, perhaps, one we should carefully consider ourselves:

"I WONDER IF THE POSITION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVE IS MORE OF AN HONOURARY POSITION TO THEM, PERHAPS HONOURING AN OLDER MEMBER FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE."

Companions, a few more items that the Committee believes require the serious consideration of the Grand Executive:

- 3 of our own Grand Representatives want to be relieved of the duty.
- Grand Representative asked for more direction concerning these duties from Grand Chapter, including contact names and addresses for the Grand Chapter to which they have been assigned, and guidelines as to what they are support to do.
- Many of our Grand Representatives mail a copy of our Grand Proceedings once a year and, sometimes, get the same back in return, this being the whole extent of the contact.

Companions, on a more positive note, 14 of our Grand Representatives have made very real personal contact with their opposite members.

This includes actually visiting the other Grand Chapter, being formally received as our Grand Representative, communicating back and forth between 2 and 4 times each year, and developing deep, personal friendships with the opposite Grand Representative, sometimes during family vacations.

Companions the Committee would comment that, unless contact is more frequent than once a year, and unless people actually visit or, at least, talk to each other in some detail, the Grand Representative role is largely, an empty formality. But, when a determined effort is made to establish regular, real, personal contact in the neighbouring jurisdiction, important rewards are achieved.

THESE BONDS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED PRICELESS AND ISN'T THIS WHAT MASONRY IS ALL ABOUT?

Companions, with only 4 or 5 exceptions, almost all communication is still by mail and, next, telephone. Several of our Grand Representatives, as noted above, have travelled personally. Those few Grand Representatives using computers for communication, mainly for e-mail, report success and benefits and many also report they hope to use this technology more in the future. Only 4 of our Grand Representatives reported being able to make contact using e-mail.

One particular example the Committee wishes to share with the Grand Executive concerns an older Companion, almost blind, who used voice recognition software on his computer system to successfully communicate with his opposite member!

The Committee feels that the Grand Representative is likely to have one of two different experiences: The more common situation for the majority of our Grand Representatives is that either contact is not made or, if made, is brief, formal and relatively meaningless to both parties; In a minority of cases, our Grand Representatives make and sustain real contacts resulting in personal friendships, actual back-and-forth visits, and mutual beneficial exchanges of information and ideas. The Committee observes that there does not seem to be much in the middle of these two extremes.

In conclusion, the Committee wishes to report to the Grand Executive that it feels that our Grand Representatives Program is in need of attention, and that its present effectiveness is questionable without an interjection of commitment and determination to make better contact more often at more meaningful levels by more of our Grand Representatives. Otherwise, the appointment simply becomes an empty or frustrating formality.

Submitted on behalf of the committee members R.Ex.Comps. Richard W Stevenson, John R Pattison and V.Ex.Comp. Michael J Bowman Chairman. Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTION REVIEW COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

This past year has seen only one notice of motion put forward to amend the Constitution. That motion will be dealt with by the Finance Committee.

The Constitution Review Committee has prepared a discussion paper dealing with the composition of the Grand Executive, Committees and terms of office for Grand Superintendent in districts with few chapters. We are hopeful that the Council and the Grand Executive will give due consideration to those proposals. A decision to support any or all of the recommendations will result in this committee preparing appropriate notices of motion and presentation to the next Grand Convocation for their approval.

Finally we would once again solicit recommendations for change or issues to be considered.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Constitution Review Committee: R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck, Chairman; M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker; R.Ex.Comps.David G Walker, James W Reid, Guenther H Gahs and V.Ex.Comp. William H Collinson.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal John W McGill, seconded by myself R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

REPORT OF THE FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee would like to thank Most Excellent Harry D Turner for our appointment to this committee. We would also like to thank our Grand Scribe Ezra and his staff for their able assistance.

We would like to thank our representatives who are communicating with our Sister Jurisdictions, and to report at this time that we have received forty copies of other jurisdictions proceedings.

Alabama: There has been nor report of any correspondence with any representative or from other Grand Chapter jurisdictions.

Alberta: Records that only 23% of the Districts are corresponding with representatives. Suggested that Grand Scribe "E" may be able to assist and give direction from Grand Chapter of the protocol may be welcomed. A survey of all Royal Arch Masons was distributed in 1997-98 term. Perhaps our representative could check this out and see if we could use it. Long Range Committee recommends Leadership Workshops in regions.

British Columbia: Set up special committee to review procedures and budgeting. The many problems discussed included defined procedures and job responsibilities, effective policy regarding cost control, authorization of payments, per capita and due dates, job descriptions. The Grand Scribe "E" and his committee have completed an excellent proceedings, with humour and thought - "When you get to the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on."

Greece: Now has 24 chapters and a new Romanian Chapter under dispensation.

Finland: Received a copy of the first edition of RA News of Finland. We wish them much success in their publications.

Florida: Have established a Blue Lodge Representation Program which is still a vital link in the recruitment of new members; have a new chapter under dispensation in Miami; still show former Scribe "E" with Toronto address.

Georgia: Have a public Installation of Grand Chapter officers.

Illinois: Will be celebrating 150 years in Capitular year 1999-2000; membership programs stressing "Success is an attribute - but also failure is an attitude. Let's not talk ourselves into failure. Let's all look at the positive and grow. The only limitations are ourselves."

Iowa: Use open Installation of Grand Chapter officers.

Kansas: Hold a joint Opening Ceremony of three York Rite Bodies in a public ceremony; any companion suspended for non-payment of dues may submit a petition for restoration and pay only current year's due to his chapter.

Maine: Hold "Hands Across the Border" annual meetings with New Brunswick with over 100 in attendance.

Michigan: Celebrating 150th year of Grand Chapter of Michigan; have a Covenant of Cooperation consisting of the top three leaders of Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter, Grand Council, Grand Commandery and Scottish Rite. At present there is no representative of our Grand Chapter near Michigan.

New Brunswick: Hold "Hands Across the Border" special convocation with Maine; regrets reported from M.Ex.Comp. Turner; six month waiting period for new members has been removed.

New Jersey: Grand High Priest exalted brethren on sight on three separate occasions during the year; created Web site for Grand Chapter and received 2000 visitation first year.

New York: The Grand High Priest's remarks after his Installation covered areas of concern to all (ie) membership and inviting the public to our social events; newsletter or a joint newsletter with the Eastern Star and other masonic bodies in the area; organize a membership drive based on programs like "Bring a Brother Night" and above all "Ask a Brother to your Royal Arch"; set up a District Scholarship fund asking each member for a \$5.00 donation to the fund; District Officers Council of all three senior Chapter officers and secretaries in the District and newly appointed officers of the District.

Ohio: Have introduce "Endowment Membership" or "Life Membership" through chapter and Grand Chapter, Not transferable from one chapter to another unless that chapter amalgamates or folds. This district has the most comprehensive report on Fraternal Correspondence, over thirty pages. The chairman has set a very high standard for all other districts. Keep up the good work!

Nevada: Grand Secretary shown as Gary Price in Midland.

To summarize; many Grand Chapters are reporting that their Grand Representatives are having a difficult time getting a response from their counter parts in other jurisdictions. Some are suggesting that the Grand Scribe "E" involve his counterpart, some are suggesting email, but all are looking for answers. Some Grand Chapter have or are exploring using a Website.

Membership continues to show decreases, from 2% to 5%, due in part to chapter incentives, closer association between all phases of Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter to Scottish Rite. We have a common problem which needs cooperation not opposition.

Specifically it was good to see reports from Finland, Greece and Mexico. Their enthusiasm is infectious. Keep up the good work.

In closing I would like to quote Most Excellent, the Grand High Priest of Connecticut, Andrew Weinam 2nd, from his acceptance address "We should all face the uncertainty of life with a limitless supply of faith and hope. That faith which starts with mother and father, with a belief in a Supreme Being, and continues with people that shape and mould our lives just as may be able to add to another's life. That hope which springs eternal in the hearts of men. That they may leave a positive effect in their passing."

Respectfully submitted, Brian Simpson, B Donald Lamont, Chairman.

Moved by Grand Second Principal R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and seconded by myself R.Ex.Comp. B Donald Lamont, that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I am very pleased to report that no matters have been referred to the Committee subsequent to the last Annual Convocation of Grand Chapter.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted: V.Ex.Comp. John V Lawer, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVES COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Archive Committee members continue to work at the cataloguing of the items under their care. We have a number of quite old "Years of Service" and "Distinguished Service" medals in our possession on which are the names of the companions to which they were awarded. Unfortunately the Chapter to which they were related is not known and this information is not yet in the computer data base.

We know that the hard work done by R.Ex.Comp. Robert Todd in entering the original information into the data base, is a slow and tedious task and we commend him for his persistence. When his work is completed we will be able to assign these medals to their rightful place in the envelopes kept for each chapter.

We enjoy our work and look forward to continuing our efforts on behalf of our Grand Chapter.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee. R.Ex.Comp. William Stanfield, Melvyn J Duke, Ex.Comp. Dennis Hill, Comp. Gregor Flis, and V.Ex.Comp. Glen Harvey Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself, V.Ex.Comp. Glen Harvey that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE FORMS RETENTION and PRINTING COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The work of this committee since our interim report November 1999, has been slow. We have been assisted in the conversion of the forms into both IBM and Macintosh format, by a number of Companions throughout Ontario.

There is still work to be done, as not all of the forms currently in use have been created on the computer for easy distribution. We have hope of a web site being soon created, and would urge the distribution of our of our forms to the Scribes Ezra off the web site. This would save considerable time and expense at Grand Chapter when forms are normally sent to the Chapters. We recognize all Scribes Ezra do not have access to the internet, but feel the number is increasing, and this would continue to offer savings to Grand Chapter in the future.

We wish to express our thanks to the many Companions who have assisted us and to our Grand Scribe Ezra for his expertise and guidance. It has been our pleasure serve our Grand Chapter this year.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee: R.Ex.Comps. Melvyn J Duke, Donald J Gent and V.Ex.Comp. Glen Harvey Chairman.

Moved by the and Second Principal, R. Ex. Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself, V.Ex.Comp. Glen Harvey that this report be received by Grand Chapter and adopted for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Before presenting the Investment Committee report the Chairman gave an excellent verbal overview to each of the Investment Portfolios including gains and income accompanied by a detail explanation of each. Details of which were extracted from the financial statements which are printed in these proceedings.

On behalf of the Investment Committee it is our pleasure to make the following report.

Investment Portfolio details: Your attention is drawn to the audited financial statements as of February 29, 2000 for details of changes to the Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund), The Scholarship and Bursary Fund and the General Fund (General Fund, Commuted Membership Fund and Victory Thanksgiving Benevolence Fund).

Portfolio Management: The firm Scotia Cassels Investment Counsel Limited has undertaken management of each of our funds and has produced a very high yield and growth, on average exceeding twelve percent,. We are most pleased with their efforts.

Meetings: The Investment Committee hold regular meeting with Scotia Cassels in which the portfolio is reviewed and any changes required are instituted.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the committee; M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell, .Ex.Comp. B Andrew Downes, Melvyn J Duke, V.Ex.Comp. John H Hough, Robert S Wylie, Comp. Wayne E Elgie and Ex.Comp. George Fairbairn, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself Ex.Comp. George Fairbairns that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

First of all, permit me to express my appreciation to M.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner, Grand First Principal, for appointing me to this office, one year ago. I am humbled by his confidence in my ability to assume this position.

One of the functions of the Grand Treasurer is to work closely with Grand Scribe Ezra, to ensure that the day-to-day financial operations of the Order are being fulfilled in an efficient, business like, manner. I am pleased to report that in every case, in every month our stream of income and our payment of our just accounts are being handled in an exemplary fashion. Every month the accounts are balanced and the bank statement is reconciled properly.

It is also a function of the Grand Treasurer to oversee all financial operations of Grand Chapter. Working with the Chairman of the Finance Committee, R.Ex.Comp. David Walker, and with the Chairman of the Investment Committee, Ex.Comp. George Fairbairn, I am further to advise the Grand Chapter of their good fortune in having these hard working, knowledgeable and committed Royal Arch Masons looking after their financial interests in such a superlative fashion.

An outstanding item from last year must be addressed. The Grand Chapter, under direction of the Investment Committee, moved its investment portfolio from one Investment Counsellor to another. The report of the Investment Committee Chairman, will advise of the wise decision in making this move. However, when we moved, a substantial loss (some \$54,000.00) was incurred. It was thought, at the time, that the former Investment Counsellor should share in some of those losses and letters were sent by myself and our legal counsel to the former broker. The matter is still ongoing and it is possible that some further resolution of the matter may result but there are no other remarks possible at this time.

I thank the Grand First Principal and the Grand Executive for having the opportunity to serve in this Office

Respectfully submitted R.Ex.Comp. Andy Downes

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself, R.Ex.Comp. Downes, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Grand Executive Committee of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

We have audited the statement of operations of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario as at February 29, 2000 and the statements of operations and changes in the net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the disclosure described in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at February 29, 2000 and the results of its operations and the changes in cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Hamilton, Canada
March 29, 2000

Grant Thornton L.L.P.
Chartered Accountants

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
Statement of Financial Position

February 29

2000

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Assets

Current

Cash and short term investments	\$ 29,148	\$ 38,614
Cash on hand at broker	73,648	14,025
Accounts and interest receivable	2,302	3,351
Inventory of goods for resale (including awards)	<u>13,325</u>	<u>12,607</u>
	118,423	68,597

Fixed assets (Note 3)	<u>335</u>	<u>335</u>
	<u>118,758</u>	<u>68,932</u>

Investments (Note 4)	<u>344,961</u>	<u>346,099</u>
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Liabilities

Current

Payables and accruals	\$ 3,989	\$ 2,139
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Net Assets

Net Assets restricted for Commuted Membership (Note 5)	258,491	253,707
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Net Assets restricted for Benevolence (Note 5)	55,965	55,965
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Unrestricted net assets	<u>125,274</u>	<u>103,220</u>
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	<u>439,730</u>	<u>412,892</u>
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	<u>\$ 443,719</u>	<u>\$415,031</u>
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Related entities (Note 6)

On behalf of the Grand Chapter

Harry D Turner

Grand First Principal

Melvyn James Duke

Grand Scribe Ezra

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

Statements of Operations

Year Ended February 29

2000

1999

Revenue

Dues - per capita	\$ 69,679	\$ 71,962
Interest and dividends from Commuted Fund	12,345	18,662
Sales of publications and other products	5,913	6,993
Interest and dividend income	6,256	5,066
Income from V. T. B. F.	2,056	5,037
Capital gain on investments	16,364	-
Registration fees	3,100	2,670
Other income	<u>690</u>	<u>1,208</u>
	<u>116,403</u>	<u>111,598</u>

Expenses

Rent and parking	7,770	7,770
Office supplies and expenses	17,571	17,409
Salaries and benefits	36,600	36,600
Benevolence	2,000	2,512
Travel	9,000	9,000
Cost of goods sold including awards	5,687	5,902
Annual Convocation	2,166	3,797
Annual Convocation proceedings	2,929	3,324
Professional fees	2,140	2,140
Keystone publication	3,710	2,842
Miscellaneous and instruction	76	76
Regalia refurbishing	982	691
Insurance	1,030	1,030
Jewels and engraving	250	250
Council and Committee expenses	349	318
Promotion and public relations	1,140	1,405
Loss on sale of investments - General Fund	-	3,289
Loss on sale of investments - Commuted Membership Fund	-	14,641
Loss on sale of investments - V.T.B.F.	<u>-</u>	<u>1,274</u>
	<u>93,350</u>	<u>114,270</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	<u>\$ 23,053</u>	<u>\$ (2,672)</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended February 29, 2000

	Restricted for Commutated Membership <u>Fund</u>	Restricted for Victory Thanksgiving Benevolent <u>Fund</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	2000 <u>Total</u>	1999 <u>Total</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 253,707	\$ 55,965	\$ 103,220	\$412,892	\$415,563
(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenditures	-	-	23,053	23,053	(2,672)
Internally imposed restrictions	1,000	-	(1,000)	-	-
Surrendered Charters	3,784	-	-	3,784	-
Shares in York Masonic Temple Limited (at nominal value)	-	-	1	1	1
Balance end of year	258,491	55,965	125,274	\$ 439,730	\$412,892

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Statement of Cash Flows

February 29	2000	1999
Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		
Operating		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 23,053	\$ (2,672)
Change in non-cash operating working capital		
Accounts receivable	1,049	6,126
Inventory	(718)	2,041
Payables and accruals	1,852	(1,071)
Due to other funds	-	(8,386)
	<u>25,236</u>	<u>3,962</u>
Financing		
Surrendered charters	<u>3,783</u>	-
Investing		
Proceeds on sale of investments, net of investment purchases	<u>21,138</u>	<u>14,089</u>
Net increase in cash and short term investments	50,157	10,127
Beginning of year	<u>52,639</u>	<u>42,512</u>
End of year	\$102,796	\$ 52,639

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario
Notes to the Financial Statements February 29, 2000

1 Nature of Operations: The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario is a not for profit organization which serves as the central administrative body for Masonic Chapters in the Province of Ontario. The organization is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

Inventories: Inventories of supplies for sale and for use are valued at cost.

Fixed Assets: Fixed assets are stated at acquisition cost. New additions are not depreciated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principals but are charged to expenditure in the year of acquisition. The cost of additions is then added to the accumulated cost of fixed assets in the records and to accumulated depreciation.

Revenue recognition: The organization follows the deferral method of accounting contributions whereby restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Revenue from operations is recognized at the time goods are shipped or services are supplied to members.

Income from investments: Dividends are recorded as revenue when received. Interest on investments is recognized as income when it becomes due. Premiums or discounts on investments are expended or recognized as income, when incurred.

3 Fixed assets

	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Accumulated Depreciation</u>	<u>2000 Net Book Value</u>	<u>1999 Net Book Value</u>
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 36,754	\$ 36,744	\$ 10	\$ 10
Library	250	-	250	250
Regalia	<u>2,413</u>	<u>2,338</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>75</u>
	\$39,417	\$ 39,082	\$ 335	\$ 335

4 Financial instruments: The financial instruments of the organization include cash, receivables, payables and portfolio investments. The fair market values of cash, receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts because of their short term maturity. The fair values of investments are assumed to approximate quoted values. Market value of the investment portfolio is \$334,531 (1999 - \$346,729).

Included in investments are share in York Masonic Temple Limited, received as part of the dissolution of a particular chapter. These shares are recorded in the books at a nominal value of \$1 per share. Portfolio investments are placed in well capitalized, high quality corporate and government securities. The organization does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest and foreign currency risk. The organization has not significant concentrations of credit risk.

5 Restricted net assets: The net assets restricted for Commuted Membership represents funds that have accumulated with respect to lifetime membership payments. Some chapter members have made lump sum payments to satisfy future membership obligations. These net assets are subject to internally imposed restrictions stipulating that the resources be maintained to provide annualized returns intended to compensate the organization for the costs of servicing these members.

The net assets restricted for Victory Thanksgiving Benevolence are internally restricted for purposes of providing welfare assistance to companions and their families in need. These amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the membership.

6 Related entities: The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario (The Grand Chapter) exercises significant influence over both The Grand Chapter - Scholarship and Bursary Fund and The Grand Chapter - Medical Research Fund. The Grand Chapter annually appoints the board of directors for both organizations. Both related entities are registered charities under the income tax act.

The Scholarship and Bursary Fund was established to provide assistance to Royal Arch Masons, dependants of members, widows and orphans of members to complete their education at universities, community or technical colleges. The Medical Research Fund was established to provide funds for medical research upon receiving a valid request for assistance.

Neither the Scholarship and Bursary Fund nor the Medical Research Fund have been consolidated in the Grand Chapter financial statements. Financial summaries of these unconsolidated entities as at February 29, 2000 and 1999 and for the years then ended are as follows:

**The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
- Scholarship and Bursary Fund**

<u>Financial position</u>	2000	1999
Total assets	\$ <u>204,795</u>	\$ <u>190,274</u>
Total liabilities	<u>535</u>	<u>2,322</u>
Total net assets	<u>204,260</u>	<u>287,952</u>
	<u>204,795</u>	<u>190,274</u>

Results of operations

Total revenues	\$ <u>28,161</u>	\$ <u>24,520</u>
Total expenses	<u>11,853</u>	<u>26,322</u>
(Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses	<u>16,308</u>	<u>(1,802)</u>

Cash flows

Increase in cash	<u>1,594</u>	<u>1,235</u>
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**The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
- Medical Research Fund**

<u>Financial position</u>	2000	1999
Total assets	\$ 433,605	\$ 413,297
Total liabilities	535	535
Total net assets	<u>433,070</u>	<u>412,762</u>
	<u>433,605</u>	<u>413,297</u>
<u>Results of operations</u>		
Total revenues	\$ 54,077	\$ 43,098
Total expenses	<u>33,769</u>	<u>50,486</u>
(Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses	<u>20,308</u>	<u>(7,388)</u>
<u>Cash flows</u>		
Increase in cash	<u>47,354</u>	<u>(6,115)</u>

7 Comparative figures: Certain figures presented for comparative purposes have been reclassified to conform with the financial statement presentation for 2000.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Grand Executive Committee of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund).

We have audited the statement of operations of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund) as at February 28, 2000 and the statements of operations and changes in the net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organization's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The organization derives some fund revenue in the form of donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses, assets and fund balances.

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The accompanying financial statements do not draw attention to the uncertainty caused by the Year 2000 Issue that arises because it is not certain that all aspects of this issue affecting the organization and those related to efforts of suppliers or other third parties, will be fully resolved.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the disclosure described in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at February 28, 2000 and the results of its operations and the changes in cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Hamilton, Canada
March 17, 2000

Grant Thornton L.L.P.
Chartered Accountants

**Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario
Medical Research Fund (Release a Miracle Fund)**

Statement of Financial Position

February 28	2000	1999
Current		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 5,606	\$ 13,811
Cash on deposit at broker	61,221	5,662
Due from other funds	-	1,787
Interest receivable		<u>-</u>
	66,827	23,000
Investments (market value \$375,663; 1999 - \$399,459)	<u>366,778</u>	<u>390,297</u>
	<u>\$ 433,605</u>	<u>\$ 413,297</u>
Liabilities		
Current		
Payable and accruals	<u>\$ 535</u>	<u>\$ 535</u>
Net Assets		
Net assets restricted for medical research (Note 3)	<u>433,070</u>	<u>412,762</u>
	<u>\$ 433,605</u>	<u>\$ 413,297</u>

On behalf of the Grand Chapter

Harry D Turner
Grand First Principal

Melvyn James Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Medical Research Fund - (Release A Miracle)

Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended February 28	2000	1999
Revenue		
Donations	\$ 8,626	\$ 11,102
Interest and dividend income	32,194	31,940
Capital gain on investments	12,793	-
Bank interest	464	56
	<u>54,077</u>	<u>43,098</u>
Expenses		
Audit fees	535	535
Grants	30,000	30,000
Portfolio Management fee	1,268	235
Loss on sale of investments	-	19,229
Printing and bank charges	1,966	487
	<u>33,769</u>	<u>50,486</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	20,308	(7,388)
Net assets		
Beginning of year	<u>412,762</u>	<u>420,150</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 433,070</u>	<u>\$ 412,762</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

1 Purpose of the organization The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Medical Research Fund (Release A Miracle Fund) is a registered charity in Ontario and is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act. The object of the organization is to provide funds for medical research upon receiving a valid request for assistance.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies; Investments: Dividends are recorded as revenue when received. Interest on investments is recognized as income when it becomes due. Premiums or discounts on investments are expensed or recognized as income when incurred.

3 Restricted net assets: The net assets of the organization are externally restricted for the purposes of providing support for medical research. These amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the membership.

4 Financial instruments: The financial statements of the organization include cash, receivables, payables and portfolio investments. The fair values of cash, receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts because of their short term to maturity. The fair values of investments are assumed to approximate quoted market values.

Portfolio investments are placed in well capitalized, high quality corporate and government securities. The organization does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest and foreign currency risk. The organization has no significant concentration of credit risk.

5 Charitable status: For the fiscal year 2000, the fund has met the distribution quota requirement to maintain its status as a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Grand Executive Committee of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario -The Scholarship and Bursary Fund.

We have audited the statement of operations of The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario - The Scholarship and Bursary Fund as at February 28, 2000 and the statements of operations and changes in the net assets and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the organizations' management. Our responsibility is to express and opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The organization derives some fund revenue in the form of donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the organization and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, excess of revenues over expenses, assets and fund balances.

The accompanying financial statements do not draw attention to the uncertainty caused by the Year 2000 Issue that arises because it is not certain that all aspects of this issue affecting the organization and those related to efforts of suppliers or other third parties, will be fully resolved.

In our opinion, except for the omission of the disclosure described in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the organization as at February 28, 2000 and the results of its operations and the changes in cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Hamilton, Canada
Mrch 17, 2000

Grant Thornton L.L.P.
Chartered Accountants

The Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Canada In the Province of Ontario The Scholarship and Bursary Fund

Statement of Financial Position

February 28	2000	1999
Assets		
Current		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 13,951	\$ 17,238
Cash on deposit at broker	4,424	2,731
Investments (market value 1999 - \$195,523; 1998 - \$174,686)	<u>186,420</u>	<u>170,305</u>
	<u>\$ 204,795</u>	<u>\$ 190,274</u>

Liabilities**Current**

Payables and accruals	\$ 535	\$ 535
Due to other funds	<u>-</u>	<u>1,787</u>
	535	<u>2,322</u>

Net Assets

Net assets restricted for		
Scholarships and bursaries (Note 3)	<u>204,260</u>	<u>187,952</u>
	<u>\$ 204,795</u>	<u>\$ 190,274</u>

On behalf of the Grand Chapter

Harry D Turner
Grand First Principal

Melvyn James Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario The Scholarship and Bursary Fund

Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended February 28	2000	1999
Revenue		
Donations	\$ 9,829	\$10,503
Interest on investments	8,507	13,960
Capital gain on investments	9,569	
Bank interest	<u>256</u>	<u>57</u>
	<u>28,161</u>	<u>24,520</u>
Expenses		
Audit fees	535	535
Grants	8,700	8,800
Capital loss on investments	-	16,288
Portfolio Management fee	581	124
Printing and bank charges	<u>2,037</u>	<u>575</u>
	<u>11,853</u>	<u>26,322</u>
(Deficiency) excess of revenue over expenses	16,308	(1,802)
Net assets		
Beginning of year	<u>187,952</u>	<u>189,754</u>
End of year	<u>\$ 204,260</u>	<u>\$ 187,952</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements

1 Purpose of the organization. The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Scholarship and Bursary Fund is a registered charity in Ontario, and is exempt from income tax under the Income Tax Act. The object of the organization is to provide assistance in the form of bursaries to Royal Arch Masons' dependants of members, widows and orphans of members to complete their education at universities, community or technical colleges.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies: Income from Investments: Dividends are recorded as revenue when received. Interest on investments is recognized as income when it becomes due. Premiums or discounts on investments are expensed or recognized as income when incurred.

3 Restricted net assets: The net assets restricted for scholarships and bursaries are externally restricted for purposes of providing educational assistance. These amounts are not available for other purposes without the approval of the membership.

4 Financial instruments: The financial statements of the organization include cash, receivables, payables and portfolio investments. The fair values of cash, receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their carrying amounts because of their short term to maturity. The fair values of investments are assumed to approximate quoted market values.

Portfolio investments are placed in well capitalized, high quality corporate and government securities. The organization does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to interest and foreign currency risk. The organization has no significant concentration of credit risk.

5 Charitable status: For the fiscal year 2000, the fund has met the distribution quota requirement to maintain its status as a charitable organization under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Finance Committee has reviewed the monthly Financial Statements of the Grand Treasurer monitoring the progress in comparison to the Budget Estimates approved by Grand Chapter April 1999. With the appointment of the Chairman of the Investment Committee as a member of the Finance Committee, considerable dialogue and interchange of information and ideas has taken place between these two Committees, during the past year, to their mutual benefit and that of our Grand Chapter. I thank M.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner for this change. The Committee acknowledges the continued diligence of the Grand Scribe Ezra and the Grand Treasurer's assistance in providing the information required. The February year end Financial Statement has been reviewed in detail. And, subsequently, the Financial Statements prepared by our Auditor Comp. George Benton of Grant Thornton. We are satisfied that they present the financial operations of our Grand Chapter during the last fiscal year. We compliment the Grand Council and the Niagara Falls Convocation Committee on their fiscal results for the 1999 Annual Convocation. We draw your attention to the major reduction in our "Interest and Dividend" revenue from previous years.

It is important to direct your attention to some changes we have made to the presentation of the Financial Report for, hopefully, a clearer understanding. You should note that we now describe "Capital Gain or Loss on Investments on the Revenue and Expense sides of the Income Statement.

These amounts reflect changes, during the fiscal year, in the Value of our Investment Portfolio managed by Scotia-Cassels and are subsequently recorded as changes in the Assets of Grand Chapter on the Balance Sheet.

They do not reflect additional revenue for the day to day operation of Grand Chapter. Operational revenue from the Investment Portfolio is recorded as "Interest and Dividends"

As has been reported, the reductions in our Investment Portfolio Interest and Dividend Revenue have major impact on our budget process. This Spring we renewed our lease with Grand Lodge for 99 years to be reviewed as necessary (every five years). The annual Rent and parking will be \$8,600 for the next 5 years, an increase of approximately 10% over the previous rate.

In consequence of all of the foregoing, The Finance Committee now brings forth the Motion, Notice of which was given at the Grand Convocation April 1999 to increase the Annual Per/Capita by \$1.00 effective on approval by this Grand Chapter.

We are budgeting Revenue for this year of \$95,600.00 and Expenses of \$94,550.00

A budgeted surplus of \$1,050. Your Committee, managed this by reducing the Convocation Budget a further \$1,400, and tightened or held the line wherever else possible. We have restored the Office Equipment line to \$2,000 We increased the Promotions line by \$1,000 and the Communications line by \$500 to handle the Website start-up. We are confident that the expenditures are appropriate and the receipts, while showing a deficit, are conservatively reliable.

We recommend to the Finance Committee for the ensuing year, that a plan for the Commutation of Grand Chapter Per/Capita be prepared for consideration. Life membership Programs in Constituent Chapters promote membership retention. An important issue for the 21st Century.

All of which is respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee: M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe, R.Ex.Comps. Melvly J Duke, Grand Scribe Ezra, B Andrew Downs, Grand Treasurer, V.Ex.Comp. Robert S Wylie, Ex.Comp. George Fairbairn and R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself, R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, seconded by the Grand Treasurer that: The Audited Financial Statements of the Grand Chapter General Fund, the Medical Research Fund and the Scholarship and Bursary Fund be received and adopted. CARRIED.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, seconded by the Grand Treasurer that: In accordance with Section 56 of the Constitution, the estimate of receipts and expenditures on account of the General Fund for the ensuing fiscal year of March 1st 2000 to February 28th 2001, be received and adopted. CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION

I David G Walker move, seconded by the Grand Treasurer that the Constitution be amended as follows: Section 76 "GRAND CHAPTER FEES AND DUES" Sub-section (c) last paragraph be amended to read: "For every member of the Chapter on the register of Grand Chapter as at the previous December 31st, payable semi-annually on the Thirtieth of June and the Thirty-first of December each year: Effective April 30, 2000, \$5.00" CARRIED

**GRAND CHAPTER ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO
2000-2001 FISCAL YEAR**

	2000-2001 BUDGET	1999-2000 BUDGET	1999-2000 ACTUAL	1999-2000 VARIANCE
Annual Total Interest & Dividends	18,000	18,000	20657	2,657
REVENUE				
Registration fees	2,900.00	2,9000	3,100	200
Per capita dues	74,000	69,732	69,679	(53)
Dispensations and Warrants	700	800	690	(110)
Constitutions, Rituals & Jewels	--	-	5,913	5,991
Investment Income - General Fund	2,700	3,000	6,256	3,256
Interest from Commuted Fund	12,600	12,200	12,345	145
Interest from V.T.B.F.	2,700	2,800	2,056	(744)
Donations - Benevolence	--	-	328.00	328.00
Capital ain on Investments			16,364	16,364
Other income	--	--	-	-
Total revenue	<u>95,600</u>	<u>91,432</u>	<u>116,403</u>	<u>24,971</u>
EXPENSES				
Remuneration Grand Scribe Ezra	20,000	20,000	20,000	0
Office salaries and wages	12,600	12,600	12,600	0
Library Assistance	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
Rent and parking	8,600	7,800	7,7700	(30)
Office Expenses	15,500	15,075	15,8865	789
Office equipment purchases	1,000	1,000	706	(294)
Convocation	4,900	4,900	2,166	(2,734)
Executive Committee	400	400	349	(51)
Regalia refurbishing	1,000	1,000	982	(51)
Printing Proceedings	3,400	3,400	2,929	(471)
Grand Council expense	400	400	0	(400)
Promotion	1,500	1,500	1,140	(360)
Constitutions, Rituals & Jewels	--	--	5,687	5,687
Travel	10,000	9,000	9,000	0
Audit	2,200	2,200	2,140	(60)
Investment Management	1,400	1,400	0	207
Insurance	1,100	1,100	1,030	(70)
Jewels and engraving	250	250	200	(50)
Keystone	3,000	3,000	3,710	710
Loss on Sale of Investments	--	--	19,204.00	19,204
Benevolence	--	2,800	2,800	(800)
Miscellaneous and instruction	500	100	76	(24)
Transfer to Commuted Fund	1,000	1,000	1,000	0
Purchase supplies for inventory	<u>--</u>	<u>--</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total expenses	<u>94,550</u>	<u>92,925</u>	<u>93350</u>	<u>425</u>
Excess / (Shortfall)	<u>1,050</u>	<u>(1,493)</u>	<u>23,054</u>	<u>24,547</u>

REPORT OF THE AMALGAMATION COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions;

On behalf of the Committee on Amalgamations I would first like to thank you, M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner for appointing us to this important committee.

Amalgamation, my Companions is the joining together of two or more chapters. Grand Chapter can give the authority and guidance to amalgamate chapters but Grand Chapter cannot amalgamate people. Dedicated people make the difference. Each Companion of the newly amalgamated chapter must do his share to make it work. If this is done with a spirit of harmony and unanimity it will be a success. To this end I would like to report on the following amalgamation that have occurred in this Grand Jurisdiction in the past year.

The following amalgamations have occurred.

-Elliott Chapter No. 129 and Malloch Chapter No. 66 on May 4, 1999.

-Bonnechere Chapter No. 114 and Laurentian Chapter no. 151 on October 16, 1999 Renfrew Ontario.

-. London Chapter No. 150 and No. 238. The newly formed Chapter to be St Andrew-London Chapter No. 150.

We commend the Past Principals and officers of the respective chapters for their fine work in paving the way for these amalgamations to take place.

On Feb. 21, 2000 I had the pleasure to attend a Holy Royal Arch Degree at Erie-Blenheim Chapter No. 73 in Ridgetown. This Chapter Amalgamated a few years ago. The Chapter room was full of members of the Chapter and 8 candidates in attendance. The degree was well executed and all seemed to enjoy a good evening.

Other chapters are at the time of writing of this report considering amalgamation and the talks will continue and we the Committee on Amalgamations wish them great success in their deliberations.

Once again my Companions we thank you for the opportunity and for your confidence in serving this our Grand Chapter

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee: M.Ex.Comp. Donald F Kline, R.Ex.Comps. Michel Sastre, W Bruce Miller, J Max Laushway, Bryan Bouck and William Klapatiuk C Gordon Sinclair Chairman.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. C Gordon Sinclair that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE GRAND HISTORIAN

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Once again I would like to sincerely thank you Most Excellent Sir for affording me the opportunity to serve Royal Arch Masonry and The Grand Chapter as Grand Historian.

During this passed year the historic event which most caught my attention was, when Our Grand First Principal, M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, commissioned a set of photographs of our Past Grand First Principals, beginning in the year

The Grand Chapter was formed One Hundred and Forty-two years ago. These photographs were suitably mounted and framed on a prominent wall at The Grand Chapter Office, for the viewing of all companions and is a sight to behold.

M.Ex.Comp. Turner also saw fit to direct the Historic Committee to update history of The Grand First Principals of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in The Province of Ontario 1934 - 1999, and I am happy to report that this task has been completed and is available at The Grand Chapter Library for viewing.

The evening of Wednesday, January 10th 2000 was an historic one for the Officers and Companions of Couchiching Chapter No. 198 in Orillia, when Brother Gary Banks and Brother Ross Cornish were exalted to The Royal Arch Degree. The Work of the evening was performed by a team of well skilled members from Grand Chapter, conducted by M. Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker, Past Grand First Principal, and under the scrutinizing eye of our Grand First Principal. The evening was a huge success and was very well attended. The work of the evening was presented in an excellent manner and all were cordially received in the banquet room, where a scrumptious meal of roast beef was enjoyed by all.

Details of amalgamations and special Chapter events will be found in other Reports printed elsewhere in these Proceedings.

Faternally submitted on behalf of The Historical Committee; R.Ex.Comps. Norman McComb, Donald J Gent and William Stanfield, chairman.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, Grand Second Principal and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, Grand Scribe Ezra. that this report be received and adopted for printing in the proceedings.
CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Committee on Benevolence wishes to report that for the 1999 – 2000 Masonic year, two applications for Benevolence were received and a sum of \$2000.00 was dispersed.

As an update to the report of the Committee on Benevolence to Grand Chapter for the 1998 – 99 Masonic year, a lady, of whom her Doctor reported saying "This lady is impaired in every aspect of her life and in constant pain. She has an amazing attitude and tolerates her disabilities better than most." Your Committee now reports that this lady passed away this past fall, and although this left us very sad, we feel The Great Jehovah has seen fit to relieve her of her pain and suffering. Our prayers are with her family.

With this report, I have asked to be relieved of my responsibilities to the Committee on Benevolence as my wife and I are spending most of the winter down south and I find it impossible to fulfill a satisfactory commitment to the Companions of this Grand Chapter.

I have been honoured by the Past Grand First Principals for allowing me to be a part of the Committee on Benevolence these past eight years, five as chairman.

It has been a labour of love to share in the assistance to our less fortunate Companions and Brethren and their dependents both in Grand Chapter and Grand Lodge.

It would melt your hearts to read some of the letters of thank-you we have received over the years and these are what have made the task so enjoyable. My Companions I leave this committee with one big wish, Please, Please be your brother's keeper and be quick to report on any cases of need you find in your Chapter or among our many widows and orphans.

I trust my successor will find the same gratification as I have during my tenure and wish him and his Committee every success and my best regards in their stewardship of this so very important committee.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Committee; M.Ex.Comps. Charles W Emmett and Aube L Weisman and R.Ex.Comps. William Stanfield, Ian Keuls and Kenneth L Whiting, Chairman

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, seconded by myself, R.Ex.Comp. Kenneth L Whiting that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE MEDICAL RESEARCH FUND RELEASE A MIRACLE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

On behalf of the Committee for Medical Research, it gives me great pleasure to report on the activities of your committee for the past year. We have been busy looking at the research projects which we have been supporting and communicating with the researchers. In response they have supplied us with updates and various media presentation material for use by your committee.

There have been two Grand Executive meetings at which your committee has been represented and has given reports. We have made several recommendations which we believe will raise the profile of our charities both in the precincts of our chapters and the outside world.

We have dispersed eight grants for medical research to a total of \$30,000.00. These grants are as follows:

Dr. Poznansky Robarts Institute	\$6500.00
Dr. J. Wilson (Humber Memorial)	\$3000.00
Prof. Dr. B. Gallie (Sick Kids)	\$5500.00
Prof. R. Del Maestro (Victoria Hospital)	\$4500.00
Dr. J. Dennis (mount Sinai)	\$2500.00
Prof. Dr. Yendt (Kingston Hospital)	\$3000.00
Dr. R. Baigrie (Sudbury Memorial)	\$2500.00
NOVOS Trial (Windsor)	\$2500.00

During the year, I have sent to all Chapters a letter outlining the medical research foundation and the summaries of the types of research we have been supporting. At this present convocation there is a display booth incorporating some of the latest communication media showing slides and videos of the various research projects which are under way and which I encourage everyone to visit.

I would like to express my thanks to you Most Excellent Sir and to the Grand executive for their kind support.

To R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn Duke a sincere thanks for his help and to the members of the committee R.Ex.Comp. K. Green, M.Ex.Comp. G Stuart, R.Ex.Comp. Win. Klapatiuk, R.Ex.Comp. Dr. O Wagg, V.E.x.Comp. R. Temperman, R.Ex.Comp. Wm. I Amandola, R.Ex.Comp. David Hardie MD MDiv Chairman

Move by R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill, grand Second Principal and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke that this report be received by this Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

At our Autumn meeting a concern was tabled about the condition of some, (and I emphasize), some meeting facilities within our jurisdiction. Other questions were raised concerning the size of some of our Districts and the cost associated with maintaining a Grand Superintendent by as few as (4) four Chapters within some Districts.

A questionnaire was sent to each member of this committee requesting their personal thoughts on this matter from the viewpoint that each would know the feeling of the Companions within their individual jurisdictions. Please let me reiterate that this was only a questionnaire for information purposes, however, some of the committee members misunderstood my request and went to the Companions for their input which, in turn, created some confusion for those Companions. It soon became apparent that the information received was as varied as the Districts represented and that more study is required.

Once again we note that some of our Companions have made decisions concerning their respective Chapters that are contrary to the rules and regulations of our Grand Chapter Constitution. By **not reading and following** the Constitution, we make errors in our choices causing an unpleasant situation for all involved.

My Companions, the Grand Chapter Constitution is the list of rules and regulations that you, the members of Grand Chapter, have decided that you require to be followed by all Royal Arch Masons within this jurisdiction. No one can or may alter those rules unilaterally. Changes can only be made within a meeting called Grand Convocation and in conjunction with those regulations as laid down in the Constitution.

The reports from the Grand Superintendents are indicating that the same problems are facing the Chapters, not enough members supporting their Chapters and an overall lack of new member applications. The only solution to the lack of participation, of course, is to make the meetings more interesting. The problem of having few new applications can only be corrected by participating in our Craft Lodges and inviting all newly Raised Brethren to continue their Masonic Education with us.

Royal Arch Masonry is receiving many applications from our Lodge Brothers, we just require a few more to turn the numbers around and create a plus situation in our membership.

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, on behalf of the Condition of Capitular Masonry Committee, I thank you for allowing us to serve on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted by the Condition of Capitular Masonry Committee R.Ex.Comps. Sheldon Boomhour, (chairman), Gordon E Cross, Richard J Jackson, Donald A King and the seventeen Grand Superintendents.

Moved By the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and myself that this report to Grand Chapter be approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE SCRIBES EZRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

On behalf of the Scribe Ezra Advisory Committee, we submit this report, I myself being computer illiterate, am not able to elaborate on what discs or word processor that we should be looking at for future use in the Chapter. Although there are a number of Chapters that have access to computers, there are a greater number of older scribes that do not have access or are computer illiterate and do not want to change. Therefore we must proceed with care.

In the same manner for those that do — have access to computers, we should not be holding them back. Grand Chapter should be investigating the cost of establishing its own web site.

Respectively submitted on behalf of the Scribe Ezra Committee; R.Ex.Comps. Gordon Cross, Ronald McClung, V.Ex.Comp. Michael Bowman and R.Ex.Comp. James Saunders, Chairman.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and Seconded by myself R.Ex.Comp. James Saunders that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and members of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to M.Ex.Comp. Harry Turner for appointing me to chair this important Committee of our Grand Chapter and also for the privilege to work and associate with such a fine array (of conscientious Masons who were assigned to this Committee. I further wish to acknowledge the support that this Chairman received from our Grand Scribe Ezra and his staff which certainly made my job a lot easier.

As you are aware, our Chapters are spread through out a vast geographic area and I support. the concept of a Public Relations Committee that has representation in the various regions our Grand jurisdiction. We currently have four Grand Chapter displays, I recommend that we add two additional displays that can be available to our Northeast (Lakehead Region) and Western (Windsor Region) which will ease the difficulty in transferring the display to various locations where distance is a major problem.

I am pleased to advise that our Grand Chapter Display was present at the following special functions: . Grand Lodge 144th Annual Communication July 1999 - Toronto, Western Fall Fair September 1999- London, Supreme Council 33 Degree A.A.S.R. September 1999 - Niagara Falls, International Ploughing Match September 1 1999 - Dashwood.

Your Public Relations Committee attended Open Houses, Master Mason Nites and Craft Lodges in the following areas Prescott, Cobourg, Sterling, Napanee, Inniskillen Lodge in York, Windsor, Southampton. Chesley, Orillia, Hamilton, Belleville and Collingwood.

This year we adopted the theme "Preach to the Unconverted" whereby we concentrated our efforts to be available and promote Royal Arch Masonry wherever we could maximize our profile and assist Chapters in increasing membership. In this connection we also sent a letter to every Chapter's First Principal offering our assistance and look forward to receiving their requests.

In September we held our first Grand Chapter Public Relations Bar-B-Que in North Bay hosted at the home of the Grand Superintendent. The format of this event was to invite Master Masons and their wives from surrounding lodges in the District and have the opportunity to informally promote Royal Arch Masonry and thereby increase membership. Although the turnout for our first attempt was disappointing I am pleased to report that the Chapter in North Bay did receive two petitions for membership. Your Committee learned from this experience and is prepared to offer future Bar-E-Ques in several areas this year. We welcome requests from our new Grand Superintendents who have an interest in this approach.

I am further pleased to announce that a sub-committee under the guidance of R.Ex.Comp. Don Gent was established to develop a Grand Chapter Internet Web site. To date an initial design has been completed, presented and approved by the Grand Executive together with the proposed costs that were presented to the Finance Committee for their perusal. Following approval at this Grand Convocation, it is anticipated that our Web site will be operational by September 2000. In order to ensure the success of our Web site, your Committee strongly recommends the establishing of a Web master position to be added as a permanent member of the Public Relations Committee.

As you are aware the "Keystone" publication was produced and distributed in September 1999. I would like to commend the efforts and diligence provided by R.Ex.Comp. Bruce Miller in making the "Keystone" a reality. In order to promote Royal Arch Masonry directly to Craft Lodge Masons, our Grand First Principal decided to place a one page display in the Spring issue of the Ontario Mason publication produced by Grand Lodge. We are optimistic that this medium will provide 'More Bang For Our Buck'. The future approach utilizing the "Keystone" and/or the "Ontario Mason" will be decided by our next Grand Council.

Finally, a Public Relations Promotional/Education Package for use by Public Relations Committee members was distributed to all Committee members for their comments. This material is intended for use at Master Mason Nites, Open Houses and Craft Lodge presentations and also would be beneficial to members in distant areas where a Public Relations Committee member may not be immediately available. I strongly urge the Grand Superintendents to promote the use of our brochure "Curious About The Holy Royal Arch" within their respective areas, believe me these brochures are a valuable tool but are of its value if left in a box in the corner or in storage at the Grand Chapter office.

Fraternally and sincerely submitted on behalf of the Committee R.Ex.Comp. Brian R Simpson, Chairman, M.Ex.Comp. Charles W Emmett, R.Ex.Comps. Norman D McComb, Alan M Tibbetts, John Lyall, William G Birnie, Eugene deBeaupre, William Glover, JA Dale Plant, Donald B Smallman, Malcolm W Watling, Roland A Paddle, John W Murphy, William H Arnold, W Bruce Miller, V.Ex.Comps. John E Gamble, James M Napier and Ex.Cornp. Bruce G Edwards.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

REPORT OF THE LEGAL COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

This Committee is pleased to report the good news that this Committee has had no matters referred to it during the past year.

Moved by the Grand Second Principal, R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill and seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, that this report be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

PRESENTATION BY THE YORK RITE SOVEREIGN COLLEGE

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner invited R.Ex.Comp. Bert Mennie to make a presentation on behalf of the York Rite Sovereign College of North America.

Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Distinguished East and Companions;

Once again, it is a privilege and a pleasure for the York Rite Sovereign College of North America, Canadian Charitable Foundation to present a cheque this year to the Bursary Fund of this Grand Chapter. We know this may not provide for the education of a student but we each in our own way can work together to help those students in need. The amount that the Foundation can give is dependant on our sources of income and in proportion to where and what Provinces it is derived from. Ontario has been most generous. We are giving in proportion.

The Grand First Principal thanked R.Ex.Comp. Mennie whose words and gift received a sounding round of applause.

GREETINGS EXTENDED FROM ATTENDING COMPANIONS

During the 142nd Annual Convocation of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario Fraternal Greetings were extended by Visiting Companions of each of the Grand Chapters and other Bodies represented.

STATISTICAL REPORTS

DEATHS - 1999

1-Glen Lyttle, Walter Shannon, 2-(Rev) Robert Ritchie, Ewald Gudat, James Auchterlonie, Alvin Thomas Fuller, Alan James Cochrane 3-Leland Mahood, 5-Reginald W. Norris, Frank George King, Robert Emmett McKenna, 6-Lawrence Jamieson, Ralph A. Warren Hurst, Roy Mason, 7-Allan Ferris Weatherhead, Beverley Quincey, Henry George Birkenshaw, Fred H Catton, Lorne Noble Mahood, Aubrey Kitchener Haines, Robert Perry, Thomas Frederick Rawson, Thomas Symons Walker, Hugh Augustu Sullivan, Mervin Elwin Gibson, 8-Robert E Denison, Percy Emslie, 15-Elmer Raymond Coulter, Robert Herbert Hammett, 16-John Gordon Milne, Lloyd Bertram Gillespie, Edwin Brakefield-Morre, Lloyd R Mason, Ian Allesley, Floyd Johnston Walker, 18-Reginald Chrysler Hall, Clarence Sutherland Cartmale, Milton Alexander Stoodley, Victor Gingerich, Kenneth Bottoms, Albert William Quait, Theodore Russel Nancekivell, Walter Leonard Wilson, 19-Dalton Lloyd Kniffen, Raymond Harry Peatman, Horace Douglas Gray, Albert Thurlow Shadd, Frederick William Klingender, John Martin Shore, 20-John Arthur Malcolm, Gilbert Kennedy Higgins, Robert Clarence Walker, 22-John Osborne Robertson, 23-Alexander William Leitch, George Harold McEown, 24-Frederick Maxwell Vine, Donald Irvine, Robert Perry Bruce, Richard Dirk Blom, Stewart Eldon Crew, Lloyd RT Henderson, 27-Joseph Edward Hart, John William Nash, 28-Thomas Steen, Harry L Gay, John Kenneth Glover, James Harold Sproule, Ronald Frank Gossman, George Edwin Pidduck, Aylmer Elwood Ward, Duncan William McKay, William Bryce Brown, 30-William Joseph Johnston, Ian Benito Albert Keuls, 31-James C McCaw, George Ross Watt, George Dollis, 32-Ernest Leutwien, Allan Earl Tremaine, Oliver Cecil Ridsdale, Lloyd RT Henderson, Donald Charles Coldham, 34-David

Randolph Church, Samuel Cunningham, 35-Bernard Harvey, 36-Elmer Carlyle Ferguson, John Allen Henry, Claude Robert Freeman, Cornelias James Hamm, Ebenezer George Smith, Lloyd Bertram Gillespie, Grenville Bertrand Thompson, William Dennis Harrington, Frederick Compton Greaves, Richard John Bellamy, 37-Abbott Way Lent, Gordon Leonard Bray, William Wladyka, Thomas Hendry Kerr Smith, 40-William Drury Hill, Glyn Kestell, Gilbert Alfred Price, Thomas James Berry, Cyril Frederick Rout, Kenneth George Walker, 44-Harry E. Moore, J. Alexander Reddick, 47-George Fletcher Morris, 48-Ebenezer George Smith, William Russell Marsh, Earl Raymond Wallingford, 53-William A Bradshaw, Cecil Manson Hunter, Raymond K Laur, 54-Gordon J Nichol, Harvey Charles Pettit, William Lawson, James K Wilson, Daniel Charles McPhail, Clifford Roy Inch, Norman Gergus Railton, Robert Eugene Stokes, 55-Horace Douglas Gray, Itzie Katzman, 56-John Rennie Garen, Roy Oliver Holmes, Carl Henry Hunsberger, William Lorne Kyte, Gordon William Hotham, 57-C Dillin Guenther, 59- R. Harold Wallace, Samuel Roy Cheetham, Harold F Blanchard, Nicholas Halka, Karl Hilton Brayton, Edward Ross, Orval James Andrew Neddoo, 61-William Franklin Thom, Robert John France, Samuel Donthie Rubino, Donald Gillespie McGregor, Russell M Orris Turner, Gordon Reid Kilburn, 64-Graig Rupert Leuty, Ernest Jacob Clayton, Arthur P Dawson, 66-Leonard Lovell, Thomas Willard Heath, 68-Ernest Bancroft Dangerfield, Lorne Malcolm Dool, Eric George Smith, William James Albert Groom, Samuel John Leach, Gordon Stuart Foy, Laurie George Cote, 69-Ian Benito Albert Keuls, 71-Frederick Albert Appleyard, Thaddeus John Labaj, James Edward Hoffman, Alan John Bell, Norman J Matheson, Percival H Haines, Herman Edward Chamney, 72-James Robert Johnston, Donald Ross Williams, Keith Hayward, Frank Clifford Kelly, Wilmot Seymour Hilliard, 73-Charles Edward Warren, William Walter Warren, Wilbert Harold Orr, Robert Douglas Youngs, 74-Duncan Lamond, 75-William Percy Greenfield, Ralph A Warren, 77-Gordon Oakland Garner, Harold William Brooks, 78-Ross L Brown, Robert Charles Dinney, Donald David Logan, Albert Wesley Hilborn, Allan Eugene McChesney, Ivan Hodgins, 79-James H Tiller, William Simpson Thomson, Edward F Alexander, David Gordon, Thomas Rennie, 81-Stanley Gordon Babcock, Jack Meeuse, Edward John Decow, 82-John Ralph Williams, George Edwart Lister, 83-John Barclay, John Ellwood Madill, Jay Lipsey, James David Sandilands, 84-Lloyd Casemore, 90-Allan James Edgar Wolframe, 94-William Carmen Blackwell, Hugh Matthew Carter, Floyd Albert Hill, Alan John Wilkens, 95-Wilfred Henry Salo, George Erwin Fleming, Ralph Samuel Buntin, Duncan Williams, Aylmer McIntosh Gilbert, 102-Donald B Sinclair, Donald Nathaniel McCormack, Lloyd George Shier, John Denmark Hamilton, Jack Johnson, 103-Arthur Edwood Swayne, John Alan Laking, Raymond Layton Hopper, David Randolph Church, 104-William Simpson Thomson, Alan Wildred Pearce, 110-Aage Bjerknes, Andrew Morgan Dunford, 113-Kenneth McEwan, Charles Douglas Farlinger, John C Kitchen, William Chester Strader, 114-Walter Percy Sexsmith, Dalton Charles Burns, Allan Cockrane Levoy, 117-Nyle Herman Futher, 119-Kenneth William Quick, 130-Howard Carlaw, James Richard Kennedy, 131-Wilfred John Pruder, Gordon William Hotham, George Karl Missfeldt, William Richard Gates, 133-George Ferguson Moore, 134-Edward F Alexander, 138-Maarten Adrianus van Wamelen, Duncan S Mitchell, Donald Rutherford Brooks, 14-Sidney Cassan, 145-Arend Priester, Percy Emslie, 146-Alexander Wesley Wallace, 147-Ernest Gerge Cosh, 148-Frank William Williams, 149-Henri Le Marie, 150-Weldon R. Lockwood, Gordon William Hotham, Walter Hughes Poole, Bert Meredith Grover, George Christopher Toy, William Ernest McDonald, Wesley V McDermott, John Glaerbrook, 152-Bruce Franklin Warner, William Allan Cameron, Matt Ragoza, Edward Ryall Burtin, 155-Gordon Calder, Ralph A Warren Hurst, Donald Dewar, 161-Frederick Walter Drydsdale 167-Lloyd James Roberts, Nick Kloosterman, 168-William Melvin McComb, 184-John Jones, Wilbert Donald Cole, James Whyte, 195-William Archie Campbell, 198-William James Hoskin, Cecil Alvah Brittain, Wilbert Harold McIlveen, 205-Nicholas Kerhoulas, Sigfred Schou , Nicholas Vaipoulos, Percy Emslie, Gerald Bonet, Paul James Nielsen, 210-Donald Keith Campbell, Wallace Hall, 212-Aube O Weisman, Sidney Gorenstein, Irving Wolfstadt, William Simpson Thomson, 213-Arthur Edward Humphries, Morris Freedman, Walter Alexander McGregor, 214-Gerald G Swan, 218-Clarence Edgar Gillis, Cliff Rodger Erwin Bricker Sr, 220-Edward G Smith, Harvey Williams, 221-Donald F Hopkins, Maarten Adrianus van Wamelen, 222-Kenneth Ernest Close, William Cameron Salter, Ceasar Malham, 224-Hubert Albert Ewald Domke, Maurice Charles Pear Moss, Ralph A Warren Hurst, 226-William George Sawdon, John Melville Caswell, Clifford Edgar Butterill, James Alan Stuart Stiles, Frederick Walter Drysdale, 227-Reginald W Norris, 230-James Oscar Selleck, Frederick Charles S

Gill, Harvey Williams, 231-Paul James Nielsen, 232-Norman Perrault, 233- William Dunlop, Donald A Hoofatt, 234-Victor Clifford Gunn, Alan Dean, 236-Ralph A Warren Hurst,, Kenneth Victor Comley, 241-John Storey, Kenneth George Walker, Adolf Gshcaider, Paul James Nielsen, Leonard Nelson Winslade, Percy Emslie, 243-Edgerton Peter Hall, Ralph A Warren Hurst, 245-Charles Henry Moss, Ernest George Cosh, 247-David Charles Henderson, Grover Archie Beckett, George William Fansher, 248-Willard J Millar, 249-Edwin William Cook, 251-Gerrard Mallette, 252-Harold William Post, Arthur William Bradley, Foster Royden Smith, Lloyd Gordon Kent, William Simpson Thomson, Robert Charles Wright, 253-John Henry Arts, Robertson John Cordiner, Wesley Heribson Houston, Ignace Stamburski, Rudolph Gustaf Anderson, 255-Jack Allen Petrie, 257-Blake George Jacklin, 260-William Archie Campbell, Ernest Lloyd Merkley, 261-Wilbert Lewis Archer, 262-Jack Isidore Loft, Ralph A Warren, 264-Cecil Albah Brittain, Denzil Arthur CD Kidd, 265-William Archie Campbell, 267-Wilmot Seymour Hilliard.

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1-William Archibald Osborne, Thomas M Nivin, 3-James Francis Landers, 5-Clint D Currie, R Duane Currie, Richard Clendinning, 6-James McKinnon McNeil, John Robert Thomas, Lance Edward Todd, Ronald Spencer, 7-Donald Pennycook, Allen L Moring, Donald Robert Knowlton, Harold McGuiness, Allan Alexander, 8-Harold George Stanley, William Baran, Alexander Murphy, 16-Charles Rahal, 18-Clifford Arthur Glandfield, 19-Alan Morrison, Garry Rawson, 22-Gert Kummer, 23-Kenneth Rae Guiler, John Christian Johnson, Robert John Schnarr, 24-Rodney Herbert Lovell, 27-William George Tannahill, 28-Kevin Scott Fudge, 29-I Lloyd Mumby, Harley Harvey, 32-Thomas Robert White, William James Woodend, Barry Andrew Rowat, H Daniel Knox, 34-Thomas Leo Posie, Reno Peter Favretto, John Robert Kelsey, John Donald Swan, 35-Robert William Clark, George Edward Khouri, 36-Joseph Keith Sheild, 40-Keith James Wright, Kenneth Sherwood, 44-Garrett Shorts, Terrence McCormick, 46-Harold J Kennedy, 47-William K Pertch, 53-Alexander Douglas Bruce, 55-Gordon E Morgan, Thomas Edward Johnson, Stewart McCarthy, 56-Robert Edwin Morrill, Archibald A Leigh, Timothy Ralph Skippen, Todd William Holmes, 57-Lewis W Potts, Brian L White, 59-Michael Paul Murphy, Chester Charles Kain, 61-Kenneth McGregor, William Ronald Falconer, Steven Rothwell, 63-Alexander Joe Dickerson, James Barrie Robinson, 64-George Steers, Joseph Lescisin, 66-Bert Kristoferson, Aubrey Wilbur Bell, Donald Clare Robinson, 71-Rollen Richard Bonneau, 72-Clayton Allen Burkitt, Shaun Douglas Watts, 74-Donald Camick, 75-David Alexander Moir, 76-Walter Hayes, Theodore Neil Dewar, Reginald Crowley, John William Holton, Bohdam Soroka, George Yerich, Keith Russell Eady, John Gruyich, George Erkin Hill, Samuel Terrence McKay, Patrick Garry Burr, Tom Basell, Kenneth Wayne James Stark, James Edward Sparkman, James Arnall Harrigan, Thomas Cochrane, Robert Charles Purney, Albert Kennedy, Stuart Knox, Kenneth Green, Michael Heath Davis Morgan, Edward Michael Swec, Gordon J Harper, Neil McLean, Neil Coles, James Robert Hagar, Wayne Dinning, David Covello, Ronald Munro Conner, John Gerald Briggs, Jack Winston Fuller, 77-David Robert Hamlyn, Donald Henry Youghblut, 79-Peter Moniq, William Ross, 81-George W. Barber, Peter Iredom, Robert James Griffin, Ralph Arthur Glover, 82-William Jack Kuzminski, Kurt William Bopp, Ried Warren, 83-Gary William McCormick, 84-Reginald O'Hagan, 90-John Knox Forbes, William Joseph Kidd, 94-John Waren Reynolds, 95-Charles Stewart Staples, Manson Robert Rennick, Harvey Carman Wickenden, John David Bell, 102-Thomas Archibald Austin, Wilfred George Haight, 103-Barry Roy Kingston, William Clifford Brunton, 110-F Roy Williams, Gary Allen Saltern, 113-John Robert Eadie, George Uhrin, 114-John Jacob Carl Currie-Mills, Hubert Earl, Robert Sutton, 130-William Shaw Fairhurst, Robert Fletcher, Rev. Roy Alexander Taylor, 133-James Edward Cassibo, Clarence Edward Cassibo, 138- Victor S Reid, Neil Leonard Walsh, Mike Choma, Douglas Harry Majury, William Hunter, Douglas Harold Knox, 145-James Wilson Pearson, 150-Roy Brooks, 152-Leslie Norman Heliar, Bohdan Danylchuk, Reino William Pithanen, Eyolfur Ronald Eyolfson, Glenn Leonard Hupet, George Gordon Emes, 155-Charles A. Houghton, Brock Bedford, 167-Paul Frederick Howard, 168-William Georgé Pickering, 175-David Anthony Rogers, Arie (Art) Verhoog, 184-John Frederick Bradley, 195-Douglas Grant Haris, 198-Robert James C Hodge, 205-Thomas S Mason, Lincoln West Steele, Stephen VonKrohn, 218-Walter Ralph Davison, 220-J Robert Turnbull, James Jamison Armour Allan, John Peacock, Claude Brodeur, 222-Fred Steacy Rickey, George Keith Inglis,

William Henry Lowell, Clair Wesley Dunsmore, 223-William James McLean, 224-Michael Thos Anthony Mancini, 226-Francis Michael Roy, Ralph Bradley Thomson, Evans Bartholomew Jones, 230-Philip William Chapman, Clarence H Hud, 232-Russell W Brown, Alexander Richard D Lester, 233-George Reginald Cooper, 234-William Herbert Nipper, 241-Michael David Borgal, Frank Arthur Colbeck, Constantine G Tingas, Ernest G Jack Emmans, Stephen Liegl, 243-Thomas B Clark, 248-Alfred Cars, 249-Alvin Ernest Stacey, Patrick R Llewellyn Gardner, Edward Matthew Yates, Joseph George Robinson, 261-Robert George Irvine, David Wesley Nelson, Howard Dewar.

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2-Floyd Ross Martin, 5-Robert Timothy Wilson, Brian Eugene Kotarba, N Robert Parker, 7-Thomas Zegouris, Thomas Ray Colden, Eric Maurice Walker, William D Greig, 15-David Brandreth, 16-Leslie Francis Armitage, Ernest Rudolph Harsh, Robert M Ellis, Harold Friedrich Butt, 36-Alfred Robert Bluett, 37-Vivian Leonard Farmer, Michael J McCann, 40-Philip George Pennington, 47-Kerwin A Hiltz, Derick M Gorecki, 48-Edward Greenwood, 54-Kenneth Larry Pike, Leo G Tiller, 59-John Dennis Silburn, 64-Roy Ernest Toms, Joseph Walter Horvat, 66-William Robert McPherson, 67-Robert Daniel Welsh, 71-Barrie J Marks, Roy Millard MacKay, Brian Johnson, George Robert Warnock, Avedis Hintlian, Richard Wayne MacDonald, 72-Richard Lambert, Shaun Binger, William Marty Henderson, 77-Michael Alexander Summers, David Loran Brewer, Robert Michael McKee, 78-Rene Vandermeer, David Thomas Elgie, 79-William Justice Jr., Eric C Hurst, Daniel Regan, Nahed (John) Rashid, 81-Harold Brent Smith, 82-Charles Edward Walton, Roger Dungey, 90-Thomas Gordon Nabb, Robert Chester Wm Grano, Walter Grieve, Kenneth Edward Rushlow, Hans-Georg Philipsen, William James Belsey, 113-Donald Wesley Derry, John Robert Riddell, 114-James Raymond Easton, Richard Reginald Breaton, 131-Romayne Morley Wilson, John Weston Ransbury, 138-Harold W Hollister, Michael Alexander Summers, 145-Frederick Wakefield, Roy Everett Harrison, 148-Allen Douglas MacKonnon, 150-Arthur Oliver Saveier, Carl Mathew Micks, Lawrence Joseph F Fletcher, Alex John Dobson, Brian Eugene Kotarba, Steven Wilfred Concannon, 152-Philip Charles Mancey, Francis Joseph Sheppard, Barry Daniel Jackson, Armand Hamel, 155-William Daniel Geddes, 168-Alfred Robert Bluett, 175-Dennis James Ryan, Ian Gaye Linton, 184-Robert Wood Middleton, Scott William Noxel, 213-Louis Norman Carbone, Robert Louis Traynor, 214-Edward Boutros, 215-Michael Alexander Summers, 218-Erwin Ray Bricker, Richard J Cook, 220-Roger Allen Winter, 221-david Lloyd Olliff, 222-Elias Kpodzo, Richard Leslie Amey, Terrence Reginald Burke, 226-Stanley Carter, Clifford Wallace Morrison, 230-William R Firman, Baillie P Smith, 232-James Cox Smith, Eric C Hurst, 235-Klaus Kurt William Bojhra, 241-Harold R Keene, Wilmen R Sills, Michael Colum Diamond, Glenn Francis Robinson, Matti Sam Henrickson, Walter Mitchell, Vivian Amshad, Edgar Heighington, Brian Douglas Wilson, Filipo Iliakis, Norman John Gillanders, Charles Graem Large, Iain John Young Mann, Edward Greenwood, James Forrester, Maurice Kenneth Stevens, Heribert Erwin Polzl, Heribert Polzl Sr. Richard Ernest Farmer, Kenneth Ingval Foss, William Thomas Lloyd, William E. Ratcliffe, Eric C Hurst, John Mari, Paul J Taylor, Jose Gomes, 245-Daniel Mitchell, John Michael Snedden, Keith Gameson, 246-Roger Allen Winter, 247-Richard Robert Roussel, 249-John Sinclair Morrison, Gordon Thomas Dudley, 254-Charles Edward Walton, 264- James Andrew Joseph Smith

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6-William Spyridonakos, 15-George Henry Gordon Wanner, 18-Claude Joseph Roach, 23-Murray Arthur Turvey, 35-William Nicholson Hamilton, 37-Daniel J McMillan, Paul Selas Clark, 56-Laurie Bauman, Reginald Elgin MacDonald, 61-James Edward Cassibo, 83-George Barry Cruickshank, 95-Ronald Stewart Kitch Tennant, 155-Ronald Reid, Norman Harris, 167-Kenneth Bruce Robertson, 175-John Lando MacPherson, 213-Norman Edgar Ruttan, 230-Harold Henry George, Brian Leonard,

DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE 2000

1-RA Paddle, Seldon Newman 2-T Corrin,, FD Draker, J W Reid, 3-JR McCullough, AG Smuck, RJ McKibbon, CW Crow, RC Hemming, 5-V Govan, RA Fletcher, JH Jackson, 6-L Levitt. 7-M Smith,

B Gerow, S Taylor, 8-E deBeaupre, J Jones, D Kennedy, W Luter, 15-D Emerick,, RA Cadwallader, KB Mielkie, KL Kreibich, RWR Wright, 16- JA Lowe, M Jenkyns, PIA Canniff, MW Watling, 18-M Bowman, 19-W Klapatiuk, D Laskey, D Brown, A Tonge, L Aiello, J Monks, 20-W Boone, 22-SK Hall, T Ferguson, D Cook, P. Martin , 24-B Mennie ,O Zorgorager, 27-S Conners, A Oldfield, D McCutcheon, J vanBulhuis, W Oldham, 28-B Walker, R Gifford, B Mailllett, G Smith, C Fillmore, E Duck, W Esplen, G Robbins, G Clifford, G Gifford, R Slavin, W Perryman, G Harvey, RE Temperton, RH McKelvie, J Magee, 29-J Hodgen, G Deavu, L Gimblett A Kofink, R McMaster, J Barich, W Claus, 32- J Freer, D Attridge, S Alder, 34- G Parker, G Roane, C Coursey, I Montague, WM Anderson,35-J Janacek, E Ounjian, 36-G Gauthier, TM King, TA Mortlock, SL Shaw, J Hutchinson, VG Young, 37-F Guy, B Keighley, 40- J McCusker, H Law, J Byrom, A Roy, 46-RW Stevenson, W McKay, 47-HM Dunlop, 48-D Ward, J Beedham, 53-P Naylar, B Thompson, L Clifford, 54-R Heil, W Lang, R Jackson, D Cosens, GR Jackson, S Edge, M Brown, 55-S Wheat, T Cochrane, R Wheller, BL Nehring, S Knox. 61-G Graves, 63- W Arnold, 71-L Lajoie, J Napier, 73-JT Saunders, EA Kerr, 75-J Hough, E Evans, P Barr, F Chisholm, 77-P Park, A Sacret, 78-D Bondar, RR Jackson, 79-R Harrison, F Garvin, 81-S Sinden, 83-BC Edwards, JK Lowrey, 84-D Gerson, F Lewis, 91-KB Bice, 94-C Sudlow, 95-GW White, JW McGill 102-G Parsons, 104-G Humes, 113-T Smith, 114-DT Steele, MJ Moor, 117-DL Fiskien, LWB Brown, RE Haddock, JN Pattison, J Edwards, WW Wolfe, C Sherwood, WB Miller, C Atkinson, TR Brown, AG Wolfe, 119-L Hostine, 130-K Cunningham, F Richardson, R DeVaul, G Leishman, O Crozier, 131-J Ewing, C Noble, 133-MR Rodgers, GH Patterson, 135-KA Robertson, J Ross, 138-JV Mathers, R Doherty, EH Moyle, BW Spencer, 145-M Easy, 146-EJ Smith, 147-D MacDonald, Wm Arnold, 150-D Thomson, E Carson, 155-G Stewart, T Burton, R Norsworthy, 167-DG Walker, KD Robertson, E Blei, W Brueck, M Lockhart, E Tobertson, A Walker, L Hanmer, H Wiese, G Hofmann, 168-PC Wilmlink, JB Parsons, F Clarke, 175-W Holcombe, 184-G Faraday, K Hooper, 195-JD Dorris, LO Dawley, RS Wylie, RF Russell, WD Laycock, 198-G Rennick, B Simpson, D Plant, Wm Seymour, Houren, Wm Dormer, A Settle, T Foster, R Kerr, 205-G Vlastakis, B Stapley, D Gillis, D Valleau, N Todd, 212-TW Bliss, 213-WD Amendola, 214-P Morninstar, 218-R Sharpe, D Epps, J Mitchell, 220-R Defina, P Monkman, V Tersigni, BA.Downes, R Varley, MJ Duke, W Maskie, G Sinclair, R Falshaw, DF Kline, G Gahs, 221-R McCutcheon, B VanHalem, S Hooper, D Wilde, 222-WD Burns, G Gossling, G Glenn, J Keith, GT Jones, MJ More, 223-TA Firth, R Clemence, WH Fulton, JK King, SF Woodland, RE Todd, WG Birnie, 226-DL Dickson, JD Arbuckle, WR Kirkham, 230- V Smetanjuk, W Schnieders, R Oluski, R Tahiste, G Carr, E Carr, H Hubble, D Ross, 232-GPR Webster, A Duoral, A McDonald, L Mellor, G Fisher, H Turner, W Massey, 233-L Muss, M MacLean, R Beverlly, P Scott, D Surouy, K Whiting, 234-T Messina, R Henry, W McDonald, V Games, 236-E Bell, D Hill, L Salmon, G Harvey, R McClung, 241-CE Drew, E Elcombe, 243-G Fairbairn, G Humes, S Rhodes, 245-RB King, CS Johansen, IV Kroegeer, DB Kaufman, B Turnbull, 247-TJB Hill, JM Gourlay, EL Reeves, DJ Gent, G Abblas, 249-R Jones, K Billett, K Fudge, K Bromley, G McCormick, M MacKkenzie, K Summersford, F LeGresley, R Abernethy, M Griffiths, 252-S Thomson, P Fisher, C James, 255-N Ryder, G Prouse, G Leighfield, 261-A Demmick, T Johnson, J Todd, D Hardie, W Lysenko, WL Johnson, GR Griffiths, H Tait, 262-W Reynolds, TR Rinns, 264-T Ros, L Wright, R Murdock, S Crockatt, B LoPatriello, 265-C Brown, T Armstrong, J Colton J Richel, R Mandeville, S Boomhour, BD Lamont.

Statistical Report of Membership

No.	Chapter	Memb 1998	Reg Memb	Comm Memb	Memb 1999	Advanced Rest	Affil	Died	Susp	Demit	Prev Yr Adj
1	Ancient Frontenac & Cataraqui	75	57	17	74	4	0	2	0	2	-1
2	The Hiram	77	46	23	69	0	0	5	1	0	-2
3	St. John's	120	74	45	119	3	0	1	0	1	-2
5	St. George's	97	52	36	88	1	0	3	3	3	-1
6	St. John's	108	66	41	107	2	1	2	0	4	1
7	Quinte Friendship Moira	163	94	54	148	4	0	10	4	5	
8	King Solomon's	187	163	23	186	3	0	2	0	3	
15	Wawanosh	101	54	46	100	1	1	2	1	0	
16	Carlton	187	121	60	181	5	0	6	4	1	
18	Oxford	150	83	57	140	0	1	9	0	1	-1
19	Mount Moriah	143	90	47	137	2	0	6	0	2	
20	Brant - Mount Horeb	82	71	12	83	7	0	3	0	1	-3
22	Grenville	46	40	4	44	0	0	1	0	1	
23	Regal - Ezra	52	32	15	47	0	1	2	0	3	-1
24	Tecumseh	102	66	29	95	0	0	6	0	1	
26	St. Mark's	66	49	15	64	0	0	0	0	0	-2
27	Manitou	55	48	9	57	5	0	2	0	1	
28	Pentalpha	117	87	23	110	2	0	9	0	1	
29	McCallum - Grimsby	78	68	7	75	2	0	0	0	2	-3
30	Huron	60	48	11	59	1	0	2	0	0	
31	Prince Edward	79	71	15	86	8	0	3	0	0	1
32	Waterloo	81	69	6	75	3	0	5	0	4	
34	Signet	117	44	70	114	4	0	1	0	4	-2
35	Keystone	80	59	19	78	3	1	1	0	2	-3
36	Corinthian	178	121	50	171	7	0	10	0	1	-3
37	Victoria	79	64	10	74	0	2	4	2	0	-1

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40	Guelph	105	64	33	97	1	0	4	1	2	-3
44	Mount Sinai	50	30	17	47	0	0	2	0	2	1
46	St. James	59	55	5	60	2	0	0	1	1	
47	Wellington - MacNabb	75	65	9	74	4	0	1	2	1	-1
48	St. John's	38	34	1	35	1	0	3	1	0	
53	Bruce - Sombra	83	51	28	79	0	0	3	0	1	
54	Palestine	228	48	171	219	0	0	8	2	0	
55	Niagara	52	34	13	47	1	0	2	0	3	-1
56	Georgian	88	57	21	78	0	2	5	0	4	-3
57	King Hiram	45	38	4	42	0	0	1	0	2	
59	Sussex - St. Lawrence	135	97	31	128	5	0	7	1	1	-3
61	Maple - Granite	81	64	6	70	0	1	6	0	3	-3
63	Havelock	63	54	6	60	1	0	0	0	2	-2
64	Willson	87	72	13	85	7	0	.3	2	2	-3
66	The Elliott-Malloch	24	64	10	74	0	0	2	1	3	56
67	Enterprise	42	30	10	40	0	0	0	1	0	-1
68	Maitland	59	49	3	52	4	0	7	0	0	-4
71	Windsor	170	111	48	159	3	0	8	6	1	-1
72	Keystone	73	56	9	65	1	0	5	3	2	-1
73	Erie - Blenheim	129	109	18	127	2	0	4	0	0	
74	Beaver	80	72	8	80	1	0	1	0	1	-1
75	St. Clair	68	68	1	69	2	0	2	0	1	
76	Mount Nebo	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-31	
77	Occident	73	58	15	73	3	0	2	3	2	
78	Minnewawa	71	42	17	59	0	0	6	2	0	-4
79	Orient	154	120	33	153	10	0	5	4	2	
81	Aylmer	103	85	6	91	2	0	3	1	4	-6
82	Shuniah	182	129	34	163	0	0	2	2	3	-12

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83	Ionic	70	60	7	67	1	1	0	4	1	
84	Lebanon	48	35	11	46	0	0	0	1	1	
90	Golden	81	72	0	72	0	0	0	1	2	
91	Toronto Antiquity	78	51	34	85	6	0	1	0	0	
94	Midland	101	81	14	95	2	0	0	4	1	-3
95	Tuscan	192	112	79	191	7	1	0	5	4	
102	Algonquin	99	86	8	94	2	0	0	5	2	
103	St. John's	107	82	22	104	2	0	0	4	2	1
104	White Oak	74	50	24	74	2	0	0	2	0	
110	Warkworth	36	33	0	33	1	0	0	2	2	
113	Covenant - St. John's	88	61	20	81	0	0	0	4	2	1
114	Sanhedrin	31	91	4	95	7	0	14	3	3	51
117	Kitchener	114	87	30	117	3	0	1	1	0	
119	King Cyrus	92	57	37	94	2	0	1	1	0	
129	Elliot	55	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-55
130	Chantry	60	45	9	54	0	0	0	2	3	-1
131	Amabel	67	52	11	63	2	0	0	4	2	
133	St. Francis	118	102	14	116	1	0	0	1	2	
134	King Darius	33	18	18	36	2	0	1	1	0	1
135	Sucoth	20	18	2	20	1	0	0	0	0	-1
138	Shekinah	135	82	46	128	4	0	0	3	2	
144	Presqu'ile	31	32	1	33	3	0	0	1	6	
145	The St. Patrick	74	37	30	67	1	0	0	2	1	-3
146	Bernard	51	49	2	51	1	0	0	1	0	
147	Lucknow	32	32	1	33	1	0	0	0	0	
148	St. John's	28	29	0	29	2	0	1	1	0	
149	Atwood	14	13	0	13	0	0	0	1	0	
150	St Andrew - London	81	151	55	206	6	0	1	8	1	133
151	Laurentian	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-53

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152	Alberton	108	88	7	95	0	0	4	4	6	1
155	Ancaster	51	44	2	46	0	2	3	1	2	-1
167	Kichikewana	103	65	35	100	2	1	0	0	1	-3
168	Ionic	58	50	9	59	4	0	1	1	1	
169	Temiskaming	33	29	1	30	0	0	0	0	0	
175	The Hamilton	73	65	6	71	1	1	0	0	2	
184	Hugh Murray	66	59	2	61	0	0	3	2	1	1
195	Peel	114	62	56	118	3	0	3	1	1	
198	Couchiching	193	56	39	95	4	0	1	0	1	1
205	Victoria	164	113	47	160	4	0	1	0	3	
210	Kitchener	53	50	4	54	2	0	1	0	0	
212	Mount Sinai	266	40	222	262	2	0	4	0	0	-2
213	Northern Lights	48	33	13	46	0	1	3	2	0	1
214	Vimy	41	23	16	39	0	0	1	1	0	
218	Prince Edward	43	36	2	38	0	0	2	2	1	
220	Lebanon	98	70	23	93	2	0	1	1	4	-1
221	Durham	54	51	2	53	2	0	2	1	0	
222	Ottawa	132	100	22	122	1	0	3	3	4	-1
223	Abitibi	33	33	0	33	0	0	0	0	1	1
224	Keystone	84	38	43	81	1	0	3	0	1	
226	Prince of Wales	95	18	68	86	1	0	5	2	3	
230	Port Credit	62	55	9	64	4	2	1	2	2	
232	King Cyrus	73	49	20	69	1	0	1	2	2	
233	Oakwood	54	40	12	52	1	0	2	0	1	-1
234	Halton	53	50	1	51	1	0	2	0	1	
235	Aurora	86	46	35	81	0	0	0	1	0	-4
236	Caledonia	35	26	7	33	0	0	2	0	0	
238	The St. Andrew	135	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-135
241	University	125	72	18	90	2	0	6	0	0	
243	McKay	61	42	16	58	0	0	2	26	5	

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245	Preston	45	39	1	40	0	0	2	3	0	
247	Nilestown	111	55	53	108	1	0	3	1	0	
248	Dochert	45	44	2	46	2	0	1	0	1	
249	Palestine	67	58	8	66	3	0	1	2	4	1
251	Kirkland	38	23	14	37	0	0	1	0	0	
252	Hiawatha	238	114	120	234	2	0	6	0	0	
254	Golden Star	139	83	50	133	7	0	4	1	0	-8
255	Tilsonburg	74	48	29	77	3	0	1	0	0	1
257	Espanola	91	79	13	92	2	0	1	0	0	
261	Seguin	61	53	6	59	0	0	1	0	3	2
262	King David	67	61	7	68	3	0	2	0	0	
264	Tecumseth	77	23	52	75	1	0	2	1	0	
265	Brampton	76	12	64	76	1	0	1	0	0	
266	Kenogamisis	29	28	3	31	1	0	0	0	0	
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5	St. George's	Ex Comp. Vic Govan	40 Robinson Lane, London, N5X 3V3
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53	Bruce-Sombra	R Ex. Comp. Peter R. Naylar	V Ex. Comp. Leslie E Clifford	Box 212, Petrolia, N0N 1R0
54	Palestine	Ex Comp. Robert Heil	R Ex. Comp. Richard J. Jackson	R.R. No. 8, St. Thomas, N5P 3T3
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56	Georgian	Ex Comp. William Griffith	Comp. Stan Dolphin	R.R. #2 Tara N0H 2N0
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61	Maple-Granite	R Ex. Comp. Dieter Jeschor	V Ex. Comp. A Mervin Bonney	2114-641 Bathgate Drive, Ottawa, K1K 3Y3
63	Havelock	Ex Comp. Ted Brown	V Ex. Comp. Don Manary	P.O. Box 108, Tiverton, N0G 2T0
64	Willson	Ex Comp. Richard Bockus	V Ex. Comp. W D James Weir	57 Barron St., Welland, L3C 2K4
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68	Maitland	R Ex. Comp. Graydon Abbott	V Ex. Comp. Chalmers R Conn	R.R. No. 5, Kemptonville, K0G 1J0
71	Windsor	Ex Comp. Lloyd I Crain Jr.	R Ex. Comp. Marwood A Fletcher	14053 County Rd 11, RR 1, McGregor, N0R 1J0
72	Keystone	Ex Comp. William John McMechan	V Ex. Comp. I Roy Robin	R.R. No. 1, 81 Old Madoc Road, Foxboro, K0K 2B0
73	Erie-Blenheim	Ex Comp. David E. Jacklin	R Ex. Comp. Douglas G Clark	R.R. No. 3, Kent Bridge, N0P 1V0
74	Beaver	Ex Comp. Richard Moore	Ex Comp. John Rowe	R.R. No. 3, Strathroy, N7G 3H5
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5	St. George's London	81	Aylmer Aylmer
15	Wawanosh Sarnia	150	The St Andrew - London London
53	Bruce-Sombra Petrolia	214	Vimy Oil Springs
54	Palestine St. Thomas	247	Nilestown Nilestown
74	Beaver Strathroy	252	Hiawatha Sarnia

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40	Guelph Guelph	221	Durham Durham
67	Enterprise Palmerston	234	Halton Georgetown
83	Ionic Orangeville	245	Preston Cambridge
117	Kitchener Kitchener		

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6	St. John's	Hamilton	224	Keystone	Hamilton
75	St. Clair	Milton	236	Caledonia	Caledonia
104	White Oak	Oakville	243	MacKay	Stoney Creek
155	Ancaster	Ancaster	262	King David	Burlington

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24	Tecumseh	Stratford	84	Lebanon	Wingham
30	Huron	Goderich	46	St. James	St. Mary's
63	Havelock	Kincardine	146	Bernard	Listowel
66	The Elliot-Malloch	Hensall	147	Lucknow	Lucknow

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29	McCallum-Grimsby	Dunnville	76	Mount Nebo	Niagara Falls
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57	King Hiram	Port Colborne			

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77	Occident	Mississauga	220	Lebanon	Etobicoke
79	Orient	Scarborough	230	Port Credit	Port Credit
91	Toronto Antiquity	Toronto	232	King Cyrus	Toronto
135	Succoth	Uxbridge	233	Oakwood	Pickering
138	Shekinah	Toronto	235	Aurora	Aurora
145	The St. Patrick	Newmarket	241	University	Thornhill
195	Peel	Brampton	265	Brampton	Brampton
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34	Signet	Barrie	198	Couchiching	Orillia
56	Georgian	Owen Sound	261	Seguin	Parry Sound
130	Chantry	Southampton	264	Tecumseth	Tottenham
131	Amabel	Wiarton			

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35	Keystone	Whitby	110	Warkworth	Warkworth
36	Corinthian	Peterborough	134	King Darius	Cannington
37	Victoria	Port Hope	168	Ionic	Campbellford
48	St. John's	Cobourg	249	Palestine	Bowmanville

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26	St. Marks	Tenton	72	Keystone	Stirling
31	Prince Edward	Pictou	144	Presqu'île	Brighton

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	Cataraqui	Kingston	68	Maitland	Kemptville
22	Grenville	Prescott	113	Covenant-St. John's	Cornwall

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61	Maple-Granite	Carleton Place	222	Ottawa	Ottawa
114	Sanhedrin	Renfrew	226	Prince of Wales	Perth
133	St. Francis	Smith Falls	248	Dochert	Arnprior
148	St. John's	Vankleek Hill			

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82	Shuniah	Thunder Bay	152	Alberton	Fort Frances
90	Golden	Kenora	254	Golden Star	Dryden
140	Fort William	Thunder Bay	266	Kenogamisis	Geraldton
149	Atwood	Rainy River			

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102	Algonquin	Sault St. Marie	257	Espanola	Espanola

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213	Northern Lights	Timmins	251	Kirkland	Kirkland Lake

GRAND CHAPTER CALLED OFF

At 2:55 p.m., the Grand First Principal directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to call the Grand Chapter from labour to refreshment until 8:30 a.m. in the morrow.

GRAND CHAPTER CALLED ON

At 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 17th, 1999 the Grand First Principal directed the Grand Principal Sojourner to call the Grand Chapter from refreshment to labour.

REPORT OF THE SCRUTINEER COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

The Committee of Scrutineer take great pleasure in presenting the results of the election held at this Grand Chapter:

For the office of Grand First Principal	R.Ex.Comp. John W McGill
For the office of Grand Second Principal	R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour
For the office of Grand Third Principal	R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson
For the office of Grand Scribe Nehemiah	V.Ex.Comp. R Glen C Harvey
For the office of Grand Principal Sojourner	V.Ex.Comp. Charles R Griffiths
For the office of Grand Registrar	Ex.Comp. William T Reynolds

Members elected to the Grand Executive Committee

R.Ex.Comp. D Kenneth Bromley, R.Ex.Comp. Gordon E Cross, R.Ex.Comp. R William Glover, R.Ex.Comp. David W Laskey, R.Ex.Comp. W Bruce Miller.

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Guenter H Gahs, seconded by Ex.Comp. Les Brown that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

To the Most Excellent, the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

Your Credentials Committee beg leave to submit the following report:

Number of Chapters	130
Number of Chapters represented by Officers	51
Number of Chapters represented by P.Z.'s only	24
Number of Chapters represented by Proxy	29
Number of Chapters not represented	19
Number of Chapters denied voting privileges	7
Number of Delegates registered	343
Total number of votes	551

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. Guenter H Gahs, seconded by Ex.Comp. Les Brown that this report be received and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS ADDRESS

To the Grand First Principal, Officers and Members of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

Most Excellent Sir and Companions:

We the Committee, consisting of the Past Grand First Principals, having received and reviewed the address of the Grand First Principal, Most Excellent Companion Harry D Turner, are pleased to congratulate him on the dedicated leadership he has given to this Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons during the past year.

We unite with our Grand First Principal in welcoming all the Companions to Kitchener to the 142nd Convocation of the Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario and we agree with him in appreciating the positive actions of the Companions of Wellington District No. 4 for hosting this very important Convocation.

We join in a sincere and warm welcome to our Distinguished Guests from Sister Jurisdictions and from Concordant Masonic bodies, and hope that your stay here in Kitchener has been a pleasant one. We especially unite with M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner in his welcome and sincere pledge of allegiance to Excellent Companion and Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

We extend to you, Most Worshipful Sir, a high degree of honesty and allegiance to the work and ideals of Grand Lodge, and may you have good health and successful achievements.

The Past Grand First Principals know that difficult situations have been evident in Royal Arch Masonry in certain areas of our fine Province of Ontario, and be advised Most Excellent Companion Turner that we are in total agreement with you in upholding the Constitution of Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the "entire" Province of Ontario.

Be advised that the Past Grand First Principals endorse the many important aspects of Royal Arch Masonry and the outstanding positive approach of the Benevolence Committee; the positive and extensive presentations throughout Ontario of the Public Relations Committee; the sensible amalgamations of Chapters and the up front, clear action of the Officers of these newly-named Chapters; the daily dedication of R.Ex.Comp. Bruce Miller, Editor of the Keystone producing newsletters; the Release-A-Miracle Committee and the Bursary Committee for their enthusiastic presentations and great accomplishments; the presentation of Long Service Jewels, a service bar or a certificate to 101 Companions throughout our jurisdiction, and we thank those Companions throughout our jurisdiction, and we thank those Companions who have received the Distinguished Service Award presentations and we the Past Grand First Principals support the Grand Representatives and their yearly involvement and hopeful dedication to the responsibilities given to them.

We support M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner in his recommendations that Past Rank be granted to the late R.Ex.Comp. Alvin T Fuller whose untimely passing to the Grand Chapter Above did not permit him to complete his term of office of Grand Principal Sojourner.

We endorse the recommendation of our Grand First Principal that R. Ex.Comp. Wesley Massey, who took over the position of Grand Principal Sojourner in August 1999, and has not served his office for the required twelve months, be granted Past Rank position.

We also endorse the recommendations of M.Ex.Comp. Turner that Past First Principal rank be conferred on Companion and Right Worshipful Brother Terence Shand who holds the office of Deputy Grand Master of The Grand Lodge A.F. and A.M. of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

The Committee of the Past Grand First Principals extend a high degree of appreciation to R. Ex.Comp. John W McGill, soon to be Grand First Principal, and to R. Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, soon to be Grand Second Principal. Thank you both for your great achievements in Royal Arch Masonry.

The Past Grand First Principals also congratulate our Grand Scribe Ezra, R. Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke for his dedication, fairness, and a job well done for Royal Arch Masonry. We also thank Committee Chairmen and all members for your upright and positive involvement in Royal Arch Masonry.

We, the Past Grand First Principals, are once again extremely pleased for the kind words extended to us for our involvement in Royal Arch Masonry. We express to you, Most Excellent Sir, our sincerest congratulations in representing this Grand Chapter. Your travels here in Ontario, plus the many visits made to other Provinces and to Grand Chapters in the United States of America have been carried out in ideal and enthusiastic manner for the betterment of Royal Arch Masonry, and we rejoice with you on the many great honours given to you.

In less than two hours from now, you will become the Immediate Past Grand First Principal, and on behalf of all the Past Grand First Principals I extend to you a huge welcome and I advise you Most Excellent Sir, that our friendship continues on a solid basis and I thank you for your willingness and total co-operation.

I extend to you and your wife Geraldine much happiness, good health, and many joys and positive pleasures in the future.

Respectively Submitted: M.Ex.Comps. Charles W Emmett, Aube L Weisman, Gordon H Stuart, Edward W Elcombe, Albert A Mortlock, Leslie Levitt, Donald F Kline, G Robert Jackson, Alan F Walker, R Frank Russell, Chairman.

Moved by M.Ex.Comp. R Frank Russell seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe that this report, and thereby the Grand First Principal's address be received by Grand Chapter and approved for printing in the proceedings. CARRIED

PRESENTATION OF THE WILLIAM S THOMSON TROPHY

M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner called upon the Grand Scribe Ezra to advise the Companions of the winner of the William S Thomson Trophy. King Darius Chapter No. 134 of Cannington was announced as the Chapter with the greatest percentage increase in membership.

After congratulating the Companions and the Chapter M.Ex.Comp. Turner, accompanied by the other Grand Council members presented the trophy to the winner.

OFFICERS INSTALLED

M.Ex.Comp. Turner announced that the time had arrived for the Ceremony of Installation and Investiture of Officers of this Grand Chapter for the ensuing year and requested M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe to assume the gavel and to carry on with those duties. The newly elected officers were installed according to ancient custom. M.Ex.Comp. John W McGill then proceeded to announce the Appointed Officers of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

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ELECTED 2000

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APPOINTED (1999)

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PAST RANK

Moved by M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe, seconded by M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker that Past Rank be granted to the Grand Chapter Officers of 1999. CARRIED.

GRAND FIRST PRINCIPAL'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

Most Excellent Companion John William McGill

Excellent Companion and Most Worshipful Brother Robert J McKibbin, Grand Master, R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Grand Second Principal and Richard J Jackson Grand Third Principal, Companions all:

Companions we have now come to the conclusion of the ceremonies of this 142nd Grand Convocation. May I thank you all for having elected me to this high office. One feels very humble when I think back to my predecessors from William Mercer Wilson Grand Z in the year 1857 to our most recently made Past Z Most Excellent Companion Harry D Turner. I hope that I will be able to maintain the splendid examples of these Most Excellent Companions who successfully, during their term of office, watched over the affairs of our past and present Grand Chapters with distinction.

To our living Past Grand First Principals, I respect your efforts during your term of office and your contribution in shaping this Grand Chapter that we are so proud of in this new millennium.

To you Most Excellent Companion Harry D Turner, our newest and immediate Past Grand Principal, it has been a pleasure to work with you over the last four years. Your distinction and success during your term of office has enabled you to watch over the affairs of our Grand Chapter with fairness and with respect to all our Companions. Most Excellent Sir may I wish for you and your wife Geraldine, good health and happiness in the years to come.

Most Excellent Companion Alan F Walker; I am grateful to you and your distinguished installing board who have graciously taken part in this ceremony to day. The impressive manner in which it was performed, has produced a strong and abiding effect on me as I believe it did on those who witnessed it. I congratulate and thank you and your board for a job well done.

Companions, it is not my purpose at this late hour to weary you with a long speech, as it would be a poor return for the kindness you have shown in electing me to this high office. Therefore, I will conclude with these final remarks.

Companions, with the alarming increase in loss of membership in our many districts these last few years, it must be remembered that the lessons of the past are beneficial in guiding our future actions. Let us use these lessons as we look forward in the new millennium with hope and desire. The future does not exist except in today.

With the many devoted companions and dedicated leadership in our present Chapters and the changes in thinking, Royal Arch Masonry will again flourish.

Companions I thank you all for coming and may you all have a safe journey to your home.

John W McGill, Grand First Principal

BIOGRAPHY

John William McGill

Personal:

Born - Toronto, Ontario, January 24th, 1926

Educated in the Whitby Board of Education Public and Secondary Schools

Married to the late Shirley Eckford, August 1952, deceased April 3rd, 1990

Two (2) children, a daughter and a son

Two (2) Grandchildren

Moved to Sudbury, October, 1948

Member, Knox Presbyterian Church Sudbury

Business:

Cochrane Dunlop Wholesale Hardware, 1948

International Nickel, 1951

Retired, 1986

Masonic Symbolic:

1948 Initiated, Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby

1949 Passed and Raised, Sudbury Lodge No. 658, Sudbury

1959 Charter Member, Bethel Lodge No. 699

1965 Worshipful Master, Bethel Lodge No. 699

1971 District Deputy Grand Master, Nipissing West District

1987 Life Member, Composite Lodge No. 30, Whitby

1988 Life Member, Bethel Lodge No. 699, Sudbury

Capitular Masonry:

1968 Exalted, Tuscan Chapter No. 95, Sudbury

1985 Life Member, Tuscan Chapter No. 95

1990 First Principal, Tuscan Chapter No. 95

1994 Grand Superintendent New Ontario District No. 15

1995 Elected, Grand Executive Committee

1995 Appointed, Grand Representative, Grand Chapter of Rhode Island

1996 Elected, Grand Third Principal

1998 Elected grand Second Principal

1998 President Grand Executive Committee by virtue of office

2000 Appointed Grand Representative Grand Chapter of Scotland

2000 Elected Grand First Principal

Knights Templar:

1968 Member, Mavar Preceptory No. 65, Sudbury

1968 Life Member, Mavar Preceptory No. 65

1985 Presiding Preceptor, Mavar Preceptory No. 65

1986 Grand Appointment

1989 Elected Grand Council

1993-95 Chairman, Committee on New Preceptoris (Canadian)

1993 Presiding Preceptor, Mavar Preceptory No. 65



Most Excellent Companion John W McGill

Shrine:

- 1968 Member, Rameses Temple, Toronto
- 1970 President, Sudbury Club Oriental Band
- 1977 President, Sudbury Shrine Club
- 1977 Life Member, The Glorious Order Hillbilly Degree Clan No. 1, Kentucky, Clan No. 8, Ohio, Clan No. 13, North Carolina, Clan No. 24, Tennessee and Clan No. 46, Toronto

Cryptic Rite Royal and Select Masters:

- 1973 Charter Member, Alpha Council No. 23, Royal & Select Masters
- 1977 Royal Ark Council
- 1978 Thrice Illustrious Master, Alpha Council No. 23
- 1978 Worshipful Commander Noah, Royal Ark Mariners
- 1979 Appointed, Grand Stewart, Grand Council Royal and Select Masters of Ontario
- 1987 Order of the Silver Trowel
- 1987 Life Member, Alpha Council No. 23
- 1999 Charter member Abitibi Council

Order of High Priesthood:

- 1990 Charter Life Member, Unity Council No. 4, Midland
- 1999 Charter member Elam Council, Espanola

York Rite College:

- 1987 Charter Life Member, Excalibur College No. 101

Red Cross of Constantine:

- 1993 Member, Northern Light Conclave No. 20, Sault Ste. Marie

Allied Masonic Degree

- 1998 Order Secret Monitor Toronto Conclave No. 3

Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite:

- 1951 North Bay Lodge of Perfection
- 1987 Spry Chapter of Rose Croix
- 1987 Barrie Consistory
- 1990 Sudbury Lodge of Perfection

Sundry:**Knights of the York Cross Honour:**

- 1992 Trent Priory No. 74, Peterborough

Eastern Star:

- 1980 Algoma Chapter No. 139, Order of the Eastern Star, Sudbury
- 1986 Worthy Patron, Algoma Chapter No. 139

THANKS

Moved by R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, seconded by R.Ex.Comp. Richard Jackson that the thanks of The Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario be extended to the following collectively:

- the Credentials Committee for the efficient manner in which they discharged their duties.
 - the Scrutineers for their service in taking charge of the election of the Officers
 - the 2000 Convocation General Chairman and his committees and subcommittees for their most successful efforts and achievements.
 - to the Hotel staff for their great efforts which helped to make this such a fine Convocation.
- CARRIED.

CLOSING

The business of the 142nd Convocation being completed Grand Chapter was closed at 11:15 a.m. in ample form.

Melvyn J Duke
Grand Scribe Ezra

FUTURE CONVOCATIONS OF GRAND CHAPTER

APRIL 5th, 6th and 7th, 2001
THE AMBASSADOR HOTEL, KINGSTON

2002 -LONDON

STANDING COMMITTEES OF GRAND CHAPTER

GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - President: R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, Vice President R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson, Vice-President, Committee members - as per constitution

CONSTITUTION, LAWS & JURISPRUDENCE - Chairman V.Ex.Comp. Norman E Byrne, Committee members - R.Ex.Comp. M Sheldon Boomhour, V.Ex.Comp. John V Lawer

CONSTITUTION REVIEW - Chairman - R.Ex.Comp. Walter T Bulbeck, Committee members - M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker, R.Ex.Comp. James W Reid, Frederick G Garvin, V.Ex.Comp. William H Collinson

FRATERNAL DEAD - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. David Hardie, Committee member V.Ex.Comp. Donald C Smith

FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. B Donald Lamont

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS - Chairman V.Ex.Comp. John V Lawer, Committee member M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner

ARCHIVES - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Robert E Todd, Committee member - R.Ex.Comps. William Stanfield, Melvyn J Duke

HISTORY - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. William Stanfield, Committee member R.Ex.Comp. William D Amendola

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD - Chairman M.Ex.Comp. Alan F Walker, Committee members - M.Ex.Comps. R Frank Russell, Harry D Turner

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

FINANCE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. David G Walker, Committee members M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe, R.Ex.Comps. B Andrew Downes, Melvyn J Duke, V.Ex.Comp. Robert S Wylie, Ex.Comp. George B Fairbairn

BENEVOLENCE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Edward G Ounjian, Committee member M.Ex.Comp. Aube L Weisman

CONDITION OF CAPITULAR MASONRY - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson, Committee members 16 Grand Superintendents

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MEDICAL RESEARCH FUND - RELEASE A MIRACLE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. David Hardie, Committee members M.Ex.Comp. Harry D Turner, R.Ex.Comps. William G Birnie, D Kenneth Bromley, R Arthur Etling, W Denis Amandola, V.Ex.Comp. Robert E Temperton

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Grant B Parsons, Committee members NORTH - R.Ex.Comps. Norman D McComb, Raymond R Meadows, North West - R.Ex.Comps. Allen T Tibbets, Richard R Berday, EAST - R.Ex.Comps. Malcolm W Watling, Roland A Paddle, Donald Gillis, Eugene F deBeaupre WEST - R.Ex.Comps. John W Murphy, R William Glover, Charles R Griffiths

PRINTING - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. R Glen Harvey, Committee members R.Ex.Comps. William T Reynolds, Donald J Gent, Eric Lakien, David G Walker

AD HOC COMMITTEES

ASSISTANCE TO CHAPTERS - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Richard J Jackson, Committee members - 16 Grand Superintendents

2001 CONVOCAATION COMMITTEE - Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Roland A Paddle, Vice Chairman R.Ex.Comp. Sven Nielson, Committee member R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, (with power to add)

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES - Chairman V.Ex.Comp. Michael J Bowman, Committee members R.Ex.Comps. Richard W Stevenson, John R Pattison

LEGAL - Chairman V.Ex.Comp. Norman E Byrne, Committee member V.Ex.Comp. John V Lawer

FUTURE GRAND CONVOCATIONS - Chairman M.Ex.Comp., Harry D Turner, Committee members M.Ex.Comp. Edward W Elcombe, Leslie Levitt, R.Ex.Comp. Melvyn J Duke, Sven Nielsen

**GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO 1857 TO 2000**

*William Mercer Wilson	1857	*Alexander Cowan	1934
*Thompson Wilson	1858	*George Lawrence Gardiner	1935-36
*Thomas Douglas Harrington	1858-60	*William Young Mills	1937-38
*John Charles Franck	1861-62	*Llewellyn Fred Stephens	1939-40
*Thomas Douglas Harrington	1863-71	*John Morgan Empy	1941-42
*Samual Bickerton Harmon	1872	*John MacDonald Burden	1943-44
*Charles Davis MacDonnell	1873	*Reginald Van Every Conover	1945-46
*James Seymour	1874	*Frederick William Dean	1947-48
*Lawrence H. Henderson	1875-76	*Clarence McLeod Pitts	1949-50
*Frederick Joseph Menet	1877-78	*Alexander Geo. Noel Bradshaw	1951-52
*Daniel Spry	1879-80	*John Alex. MacDonald Taylor	1953-54
*Donald Ross	1881-82	*John Loftus House	1955-56
*Henry MacPherson	1883-84	*Maurice Arthur Searle	1957-58
*Thomas Sargent	1885-86	*Bruce Harrison Smith	1959-60
*Robert Hendry Jr	1887	Charles William Emmett	1961-62
*Richard Beecher Hungerford	1888-89	*Fraser Earl Jeffrey Hay	1963-64
*John James Mason	1890-91	*James Elwood Girven	1965-66
*John Elly Harding	1892-93	*Stanley Portch	1967-68
*John Ross Robertson	1894-95	*George Harold Shannon	1969
*Michael Walsh	1896-98	*Frederick Wm. Davis Welham	1970-71
*William Gilzean Reid	1899-1900	*Leo John Gent	1972-73
*William Gibson	1901-02	*William Simpson Thomson	1974-75
*Abraham Shaw	1903-04	*William Harold Sproule	1976-77
*William Roaf	1905-06	Aube L. Weisman	1978-79
*John Leslie	1907-08	*Frederick Scott	1980-81
*George Moore	1909-10	Gordon H. Stuart	1982-83
*Frederick Weir Harcourt	1911-12	Edward W. Elcombe	1984-85
*Daniel Frazer MacWatt	1913-14	Albert A. Mortlock	1986-87
*William S.R. Murch	1915-16	Leslie Levitt	1988-89
*Arthur Stirling Gorrell	1917-18	Donald F. Kline	1990-91
*William Nisbet Ponton	1919-20	G. Robert Jackson	1992-93
*Herbert Spohn Griffin	1921	Alan F. Walker	1994-95
*Richard Henry Spencer	1922-23	R. Frank Russell	1996-97
*Walter Hamill Davis	1924-25	Harry D. Turner	1998-99
*Kenneth Jewell Dunstan	1926-27	John w McGill	2000
*Edwin Smith	1928-29	*Deceased	
*Walter Garnet Price	1930-31		
*Charles William Haentschel	1932-33		

LIVING PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

1961-62 Charles W Emmett	27 Colwood Drive Islington ON M9A 4E5
1978-79 Aube L Weisman	645 Castlefield Ave, Room 517, Toronto ON M5N 3A5
1982-83 Gordon H Stuart	506 Comanche Road Mississauga ON L5H 1W2
1984-85 Edward W Elcombe	65 Cuffley Crescent North Downsview ON M3K 1Y1
1986-87 Albert A Mortlock	748 Hopkins Avenue Peterborough ON K9J 4Y5
1988-89 Leslie Levitt	7 Hillcrest Court Hamilton ON L8P 2X7
1990-91 Donald F Kline	889 Hollowtree Crescent Mississauga ON L4Y 2V3
1992-93 G Robert Jackson	8 Luton Crescent St. Thomas ON N5R 5K1
1994-95 Alan F Walker	2 Blackcombe Drive R. R. No. 2 Coldwater ON L0K 1E0
1996-97 R Frank Russell	12 Kingsview Boulevard Brampton ON L6Y 1C3
1998-99 Harry D Turner	230- Red Maple Avenue, RR 1 Jordan Station, ON L0R 1S0

HONORARY PAST GRAND FIRST PRINCIPALS

AND OTHERS

THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO 1857-1998

*Henry Robertson P.G.Z.	1888
*Kivas Tully, P.G.Z.	1891
*Hugh Murray, P.G.Z.	1903
*Harry Holgate Watson, P.G.Z.	1909
*Elias Talbot Malone, P.G.Z.	1919
*Augustus Toplady Freed, P.G.Z.	1920
*Sir John Morison Gibson, P.G.Z.	1922
*Roderick B. Dargavel, P.G.Z.	1923
*Melville S. Gooderham, P.G.Z.	1957
*The Rt.Hon. Earl of Galloway, Scotland, P.G.Z.,	1958
*Sir George Boag, England, Past Grand Superintendent.	1958
*William H. Sweeting, Victoria, Australia, Past Grand Principal Sojourner.	1958
*Reginald J. Lewis, P.G.Z.	1964
The Rt.Hon. Earl of Elgin & Kincardine, P.G.Z.	1975
* Deceased	

GRAND SCRIBES EZRA
THE GRAND CHAPTER OF ROYAL ARCH MASONS OF CANADA
IN THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO 1857-2000

*Thomas Bird Harris	1857-73	*Frederick J. Johnson	1949-59
*Richard Porter Stephens	1874-75	*Maurice A. Searle	1960-61
*Daniel Spry	1876-77	*Robert J. Hamilton	1962-69
*David McLellan	1878-91	*Frederick C. Conley	1969-78
*Thomas Sargent	1892-98	*Robert Thornton Rigby	1978-88
*George J. Bennett	1899-1915	Edward W. Elcombe	1988-94
*Henry Thomas Smith	1916-28	Melvyn James Duke	1994-
*Edwin Smith	1929-49		
*Deceased			

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Write the names of Companions, in full, plainly in the Returns, so that there may be no errors in completing the Grand Chapter Certificate. Also see that the age, occupation and place of residence are not omitted. Where deaths are included, the date of death as well as the Companion's rank should accompany the record, also state if a Commuted Member.

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